### FireBall Digital Music Manager E-40 and E-120

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## Installation and User's Guide

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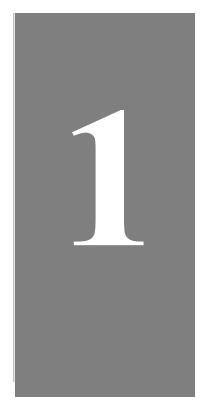
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### **Chapter 1 - Introduction**

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### **About This Manual**

This combination installation and user's manual serves as a step-by-step guide to setting up the FireBall system developed and shipped by Escient. Chapter 2 shows you how to set up and connect FireBall to your other equipment, while the rest of the Chapters show you how to use FireBall for your music enjoyment.

### **Record Your Serial Number**

The serial number for this unit is located at the rear of the device. Please record the serial number in the space provided below. Refer to it whenever you call upon your Escient dealer regarding this product.

FireBall Serial No.

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### **Warranty Information**

**Terms of Coverage** - Each Escient branded music management system sold comes with a standard one (1) year warranty. This warranty provides no-charge coverage under normal product usage, for a period of one year from the date of registration and/or purchase (whichever is earlier). This warranty program provides the following key features and benefits:

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- Five (5) day turn around time on all standard in-warranty repairs. No charges to the customer other than
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- Twelve (12) months of regular hour telephone support (9AM to 7PM EST), Monday through Friday.
- 24-hour email response from the Escient Support Website.
- Free software upgrades for a period of twelve (12) months. 24-hour on-line software maintenance updates
  provided via a broadband or dial-up telephone connection.
- Access to 24-hour music database (CDDB) and entertainment services providing access to over a million CD titles and associated information.

What is Covered - The goal of this warranty is to cover operational problems that might arise with your product during normal use. This includes failure to start, improper operation, or intermittent failures. As part of the warranty, Escient will pay for all labor and materials used in the repair of the system. Escient reserves the right to use new or factory refurbished parts in the repair of these in-warranty systems.

Escient will also pay for the return shipment of the repaired system via standard ground transportation.

At Escient's discretion, the Company will repair or replace any system sent in for repair. Upon repair, the product will be new or like-new in condition and will meet all necessary regulatory requirements.



What is Not Covered - Escient products are sold through Escient approved dealers. A number of items must remain intact in order for Escient to verify and validate this warranty. Additionally, there are several conditions which violate Escient's warranty program. These include:

- The product was not purchased through an approved Escient Dealer.
- Any product, on which the serial numbers has been defaced, modified or removed physically or electronically
  will not be covered by an Escient warranty.
- Escient will not cover under warranty damage to the product as a result of accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, fire, water, lightning, or other acts of God or nature, improper storage, unauthorized modification, or failure to follow instructions.
- Any type of unauthorized repair or modifications made to the system resulting in damage to the product will
  not be covered under this warranty.
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- Cost of initial technical adjustments (setup costs).
- Battery replacement.

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**How to Return a Product** - Contact your dealer or Escient's Customer Support group at 800-372-4368. Please have the following information ready for your dealer or Escient's Customer Support technician.

- Product Serial Number
- Model Number
- Date of Registration or Purchase
- Place of Purchase

Upon reviewing the request for repair under warranty provisions, Escient's Technical Support group will issue a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number. This number is to be attached to the outside of the shipping carton. Additional instructions will be provided by technical support.

Please be sure to use original packing carton and internal packing materials to assure proper shipment of the system. Insurance costs are the responsibility of the customer. Most shippers only provide standard coverage for \$100 in cost so please protect yourself by providing additional insurance for the returned product.

**Out of Warranty Repair** - Escient provides out of warranty repair service on a cost plus labor basis. Minimum charges will apply. Technical support will provide information on this service at the time of the call.



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"NOTICE: The Industry Canada label identifies certified equipment. This certification means that the equipment meets telecommunications network protective, operational and safety requirements as prescribed in the appropriate Terminal Equipment Technical Requirements document(s). The Department does not guarantee the equipment will operate to the user's satisfaction.

Before installing this equipment, users should ensure that it is permissible to be connected to the facilities of the local telecommunications company. The equipment must also be installed using an acceptable method of connection. The customer should be aware that compliance with the above conditions may not prevent degradation of service in some situations.

Repairs to certified equipment should be coordinated by a representative designated by the supplier. Any repairs or alterations made by the user to this equipment, or equipment malfunctions, may give the telecommunications company cause to request the user to disconnect the equipment.

Users should ensure for their own protection that the electrical ground connections of the power utility, telephone lines and internal metallic water pipe system, if present, are connected together. This precaution may be particularly important in rural areas.

**Caution:** Users should not attempt to make such connections themselves, but should contact the appropriate electric inspection authority, or electrician, as appropriate."

"NOTICE: The Ringer Equivalence Number (REN) assigned to each terminal device provides an indication of the maximum number of terminals allowed to be connected to a telephone interface. The termination on an interface may consist of any combination of devices subject only to the requirement that the sum of the Ringer Equivalence Numbers of all the devices does not exceed 5."



Additional information regarding this statement may be found in Appendix B.



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Escient is committed to providing you with a product that you enjoy and are confident in using, and are committed to providing services in a private and secure environment.

We recognize and respect each individual user's privacy and have created this Privacy Policy to demonstrate our commitment to your privacy.

We want you to be fully informed about the information that we collect, why we collect it, and with whom we share it.

It is our hope that, after reading this notice, you will understand our commitment to privacy and be confident that we will use your information responsibly. By using the Escient FireBall, you are accepting the practices described in this Privacy Policy.



The option to read the Escient Privacy Policy appears on the zip code screen of the Quick Start automatic setup procedure.

In addition, you can access the statement at any time by pressing the SETUP key and choosing the option: **user information**, **privacy policy**.



### **Cautions & Warnings**

**Caution:** To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not remove the cover. No user serviceable parts are inside. Refer servicing to qualified service personnel.

**Caution:** To prevent electric shock, do not use a 3 wire to 2 wire adapter plug. **A 3 prong outlet is required.** 

**Caution:** You are cautioned that any change or modification not expressly approved in this manual or approved in writing by an authorized representative of Escient could void your warranty and/or your authority to operate this equipment.

**Caution:** Prolonged use of any video device which produces a static (non-moving, non-changing) or repetitive image on your projector, television or plasma display device can cause "screen burn-in". You are encouraged to leave the FireBall screen-saver turned on and set to the lowest possible "time-out" duration.







### **Important Safety Instructions**

- Read these instructions
- Keep these instructions.
- Heed all warnings.
- Follow all instructions
- Do not use this apparatus near water.
- Clean only with a dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- Do not defeat the safety purpose of the grounding-type plug. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The third prong is provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.



- Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- Only use the attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as powersupply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
- The apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and that no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus.
- WARNING To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.



### **Manual Disclaimers**

At the time of printing, the FireBall screen shot images in this manual matched the FireBall interface screens. However, since FireBall has the capability of downloading software updates and enhancements on a regular basis, the resulting screen updates may no longer match the images in this manual. Check the Escient website for any updates.

### Limits

The FireBall system has the following maximum limits:

- Up to 300 tracks can be selected at a time to record from a connected changer.
- Up to 250 tracks on an MP3 CD in the front panel drive are displayed and are selectable for playback and record.
- Unlimited playlists can be created and saved.
- Up to 200 tracks can be added to a Playlist
- Up to 300 tracks can be selected at a time in Pipeline for transfer from the PC to FireBall.



### **Terms and Definitions**

Following are terms used throughout this manual.

- **Autobuild** the process where FireBall reads each CD in your changer(s) and acquires the cover, title, and track information to build your music library.
- **Button** refers to a graphic item on the display screen.
- **Encode** to format electronic data (music data) into a standard format like MP3.
- **Group** a collection of similar music titles. Standard groups are provided (such as groups based on genre) and custom groups can be created. For example, within the Music Guide, groups contain a collection of CD's, recorded CD's, or custom Playlists organized automatically by genre or manually by the user.
- **Highlight** highlighting is used to indicate the user's selection on screen. When the selection moves up, down, left, or right, the highlight moves to the next nearest item. No action is taken except that more information may be displayed on the screen, until the Select key is pressed.
- **Info text area** the portion of the guide screen used to display information about the highlighted title.
- Key refers to one of the buttons on your remote or keyboard.
- MP3 a compressed digital audio format. MP3 files are smaller than the original CD tracks and sound almost identical



- **Playlist** a custom Music title made up of tracks from one or more titles in effect, a custom CD.
- **Rip** the process of recording CD audio tracks to the internal hard drive.
- **Selected** the result of pressing the PLAY or SELECT key to activate the highlighted title, track, or program.
- Source any one of the primary modes of operation –iRadio or Music.
- **Title** a collection of music tracks.
- **Track** single song from a CD, collection of MP3s, or a Playlist. Tracks are typically organized into Titles.
- WAV— an uncompressed audio file format. WAV files are temporarily created before
  they are compressed into MP3 files. If you choose the uncompressed bit rate for
  your music recording preferences, uncompressed tracks are stored in the WAV
  format.



### **Contact Information**

Escient may be contacted by using the following information. Once you have worked with your local Escient dealer, we encourage you to contact us if you are in need of any further assistance.

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The website is also the most convenient method for accessing information, 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.



# **Chapter 2-Setting Up FireBall**

**Unpack The Equipment** What Else Is Needed **Back Panel Reviewed** Connecting FireBall to a TV or Monitor **About Connecting Audio Connecting CD Changers Overview** What CD Changers are Supported? **Connecting Sony Changers Connecting Pioneer and Kenwood changers Connecting Digital Audio Connecting Devices Using the IR Input Connecting to the Internet Using Internal Modem** Connecting to HPNA Networks (FireBall) **Connecting to Ethernet Networks (FireBall E Models)** Connecting to a Multi-Room Controller or Touch Screen **Connecting the Power Cord** FireBall Power States: On. Standby. Off



### **Unpack The Equipment**

- Carefully unpack all of the FireBall equipment from the shipping container.
- Next, compare it to the following list and make sure you have everything available before you get started.
  - FireBall unit packed in plastic bag
  - Wireless keyboard with 3 AA batteries
  - Escient 48 button remote control with 2 AA batteries
  - Detachable A/C Power Cord 6'
  - S-Video cable (Y-C) 5'
  - Composite Video cable 5'
  - Phone cable 20'
  - S-Link mono cable 10'
  - Dual RCA cable 5'
  - User/Installation Manual
  - Open Me First Guide
  - Open Me Second Guide
  - Ethernet cable 10' (FireBall E only)



Since no two people are likely to have the same exact audio or video configuration, the steps involved in putting the FireBall system together are not specific to any one piece of audio or video equipment. Therefore, it may be necessary for you to customize one or more of the cables that are included with this equipment. Please see Appendix A for a cable pin-out configuration guide.

Depending upon the intricacy of the audio and video equipment and the access to each component, installation should take approximately 2-4 hours.



A complete list of the optional equipment such as CD Changers and Portable Players may be found on the Escient website.

### **Unpack The Equipment (continued)**

### **Optional items:**

- Escient Touch Screen: Model ETP-1000
- Escient Broadband Kit (HPNA to Ethernet Bridge)
- RS-232 Communication Cables (for changers or control systems)
- FireBall Rack Mount Kit (available from Middle Atlantic at http://www.middleatlantic.com or 973-839-1011)
- Optical Digital Audio Cable (1 for each changer)
- Analog audio RCA cables (left and right) for analog recording
- Escient MP-100 Digital Music Players
- Escient Pipeline Software allows editing of FireBall data (such as playlists, song names, groups) on a PC. Also allows sending MP3s from desktop to a FireBall.
- Ethernet router/gateway for Broadband Internet connections

### What Else Is Needed

In order for FireBall to function properly, you will need to provide the following items:

- **1** A video source such as a television, monitor, VGA projector or touch screen.
- 2 Stereo receiver, CD changers (optional), speakers, and other associated audio equipment.
- Available Internet access through an Internet Service Provider (ISP): standard telephone dial-up or broadband connection such as a cable modem or DSL.

  In order to take full advantage of the ground breaking entertainment services provided through FireBall, the preferred method of connection is Broadband (T1, Cable Modem, DSL or ISDN). FireBall supports many dial-up Internet Service Providers (ISPs). Most Free ISPs do not use standard, consistent methods of Internet connectivity and do not open their networks to outside users. Therefore, these cannot be used with FireBall in a dial-up connection. A special offer for AOL internet service is available through the FireBall Quick Start setup screens.



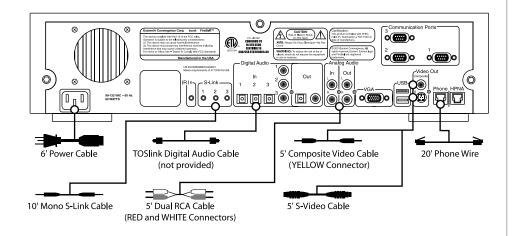
During the Quick Setup procedure in Chapter 3, you will be asked for information regarding your (ISP) Internet Service Provider.

If you are using dialup, please contact your ISP for the following information.

- Dialing Number
- Login Name
- Login Password
- Name of ISP

### FireBall Back Panel Reviewed

Review the back panel of the FireBall unit and the associated cabling.



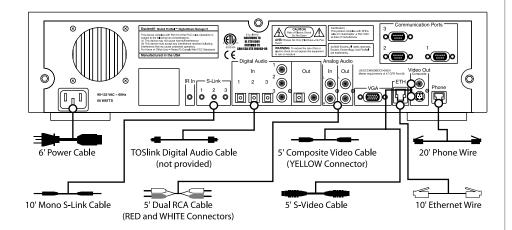


Please note that audio and video ports on the back panel of the actual FireBall unit are labeled and color-coded.

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### FireBall E Back Panel Reviewed

Review the back panel of the FireBall E unit and the associated cabling.





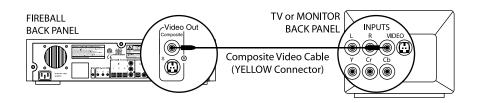
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### **Connecting FireBall to a Composite TV or Monitor**

Use the **Composite Video Cable**, which can be identified through its yellow colored connectors.



Connect one end of the cable to the **FireBall Video Out (Composite) port.** 



Connect the other end of the cable to the Video In (Composite) port on your TV or AV Receiver.



The cables you receive are black. The connectors on the cables are the only portions that are "colored."



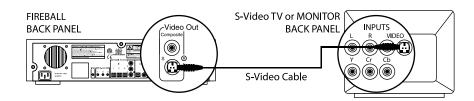
If connecting FireBall to a TV or AV Receiver, there may be several VIDEO IN ports. Use a VIDEO IN port that is not currently being utilized. Also, be sure to inform your client which port is connected to FireBall so that the appropriate video input selection can be made to access FireBall.

### Connecting FireBall to an S-Video TV or Monitor

Use the **S-Video Cable**, which can be identified as a gold cup connector with tiny pins inside.



Connect one end of the cable to the FireBall Video Out (S-Video) port.



Connect the other end of the cable to the S-Video In port on your TV or AV Receiver.



Whenever possible, use the S-Video cable to connect FireBall to a TV or AV Receiver. S-Video will provide better image quality than Composite video.

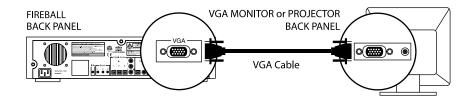
### Connecting FireBall to a VGA Projector, Monitor or Touch Screen.

Use a VGA cable.

(Not supplied with FireBall.)



Connect one end of the cable to the **FireBall VGA port**.



3 Connect the other end of the cable to the VGA port on your VGA device.



If you are connecting to a VGA Projector or Monitor, you will need to supply your own VGA cable (must be less than 25 feet).

The Escient ETP-1000 includes the proper VGA cable.

### **About Connecting Audio**

FireBall does not contain an amplifier nor does it contain speakers, so it will be necessary for you to have your FireBall attached to a stereo receiver or to amplified speakers. Follow your particular manufacturer's instructions for this hookup procedure.

You may also be attaching audio connections and control cables from a cd changer to the FireBall unit. To take full advantage of the digital capabilities of your music management system and for best audio performance, please use the appropriate cables for your particular devices.

FireBall is equipped with input and output ports:

- 1 set of stereo analog audio outputs
- 1 set of stereo analog audio inputs
- 1 coax digital output
- 1 optical digital output
- 3 coax digital inputs
- 3 optical digital inputs

### What CD Changers are Supported?

The following changers with digital audio ouputs are currently supported by FireBall. Please check the Escient website for the latest list of supported CD Changers, as this list is updated periodically.

- Sony CD Changers (CDPCX-220, 300, or 400 series)
- Pioneer DVD Changer (DVF07)
- Kenwood DVD Changers: (DV-5900M, DV-5050M)

When support for more changer models becomes compatible, you can use the SETUP-> UTILITIES->UPDATE SOFTWARE menu to download compatible FireBall software over the Internet connection. Please refer to Chapter 8 for instructions.

FireBall will access only the CDs located in changers which support both DVD and CD discs. DVDs will not be recognized.



During the automatic Quick Start setup procedure, FireBall checks for any supported CD Changers. If CD changers are found, the appropriate internal settings will be made to setup the changer for play, record, and control. For example, if a supported changer is detected, the digital and analog inputs are reserved for this changer's use and will not show up as an External Input in the Music Guide.

### Connecting CD Changer(s) Overview

In order for FireBall to control an external changer, a data-control cable must be connected between each changer and FireBall. Changers can be connected to FireBall in a variety of ways.

- Sony changers are connected using standard S-Link cables.
- Kenwood and Pioneer changers are connected using RS-232 cables.

In order for FireBall to manage the audio signal path from each changer, an audio cable must be connected between each changer and FireBall. Changers can be connected using either digital coax or digital optical cables.

- Sony changers usually have only optical connectors
- Kenwood and Pioneer changers have both digital coax and digital optical connectors.



You should not interact with the front panel of your changer except to load and unload discs.

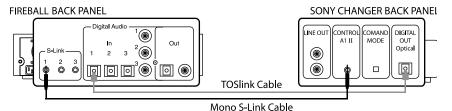
### **Connecting Sony Changers**

Up to 3 Sony changers can be connected to FireBall using individual standard S-Link cables.

Use the S-Link cable (1/8" male mini-plug on each end).



Connect one end of the cable to the **FireBall S-Link (number 1)** port.



6 Connect the other end of the cable to the S-Link port on your Sony changer.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Using a TOSlink optical digital Cable, connect the Digital Audio Out from your Sony Changer to the Digital Audio In Port on FireBall. This connection is necessary for CD Playback and MP3 recording.



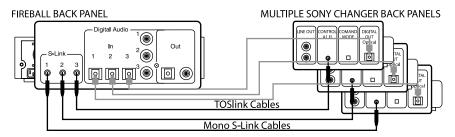
If you need more S-Link cables, use 6' - 8' standard & mono 1/8" mini-jack cables. Do not exceed 10' in length.



SCMS encoded discs cannot be recorded using the digital connections to FireBall. Analog audio connections must be used for this purpose.

### **Connecting Multiple Sony Changers**

To connect additional Sony changers, repeat steps 1 through 3 using S-Link Ports 2 and 3.



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If you need more S-Link cables, use 6' - 8' standard & mono 1/8" mini-jack cables. Do not exceed 10' in length.



SCMS encoded discs cannot be recorded using the digital connections to FireBall. Analog audio connections must be used for this purpose.

- Set CD Control on all Sony Changers to 1. This is either a switch setting on the back of the changer or a front panel menu selection. Please refer to your Sony manual for instructions.
- Connect audio from each CD Changer to FireBall. Connections using optical cables to the digital ports will produce the highest quality audio. Escient recommends also connecting the analog audio outputs to FireBall in the event you wish to record SCMS encoded disks. If both analog and digital audio connections are enabled, FireBall will automatically select the best playback/record mode for each disc.
- Sony 300 and 400 disc changers should be set to "CONTROL A1 II" mode. Please consult your changer's user manual for instructions on how to set this mode.

Note: If the menu display on the Sony changer reads "CONTROL A1?" press NO to set it into the proper mode. If the menu display reads "CONTROL A1 II?" press YES to set it into the proper mode.



When installing digital audio inputs and S-Link input to FireBall, make sure S-Link 1 and Digital Audio 1 are from Changer 1, S-Link 2 and Digital Audio 2 are from Changer 2, etc.



Analog audio from multiple Sony changers can be daisy chained from most Sony Changers to the single FireBall analog audio input.

# **Connecting Pioneer Changers**

- Use an RS-232 cable (not supplied with FireBall) with connectors made specifically so that one end connector fits the pin configuration for FireBall and the other end connector fits the pin configuration for your specific CD changer. Refer to Appendix A for the pin configurations.
- Insert one end of the cable (the FireBall connector end) into an RS-232 COM port on FireBall. There are 3 available COM ports.
- Insert the other end of the cable (the connector that fits the CD Changer) into the RS-232 port on the CD Changer.
- To connect additional CD changers, repeat steps 1 through 3 using the other COM ports.
- Connect audio from each CD Changer to FireBall. Connections using optical cables to the digital ports will produce the highest quality audio.
- **6** Make sure the changer is powered on.



Refer to Appendix A for cable pinout configurations.



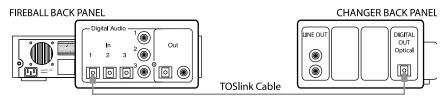
When connecting digital audio inputs to FireBall, make sure Digital Audio 1 is from Changer 1, Digital Audio 2 is from Changer 2, and Digital Audio 3 is from Changer 3.

# **Connecting Kenwood Changers**

- Use the RS-232 cable which is supplied with the Kenwood changer
- Insert one end of the cable (the FireBall connector end) into an RS-232 COM port on FireBall.
- Insert the other end of the cable (the connector that fits the Kenwood Changer) into the RS-232 port on the first Kenwood Changer.
- To connect additional Kenwood changers, connect a stereo 1/8" cable (not included with FireBall) from changer 1 to changer 2, and from changer 2 to changer 3 using the DAISY CHAIN CONTROL ports. FireBall will support up to 3 Kenwood changers connected in this manor.
- Connect the coaxial digital output from the first changer to the digital coaxial input 1 on FireBall.
- If you have more than 1 Kenwood changer, you will need to daisy-chain the digital coax audio from each changer into the fist changer. Connect the coaxial digital output of the second changer to the coaxial digital input on the first changer. Do the same for a third Kenwood changer, connecting it to the coaxial digital input on the second changer.

# **Connecting Digital Audio**

- Use a Fiber Optic Cable or a Digital Coax Cable (not supplied).
- Insert one end of the cable into the FireBall Digital Coax or Optical Input Port.



- Insert the other end of the cable into the Digital Output port on your changer.
- To connect additional CD changers, repeat steps 1 through 3 using the additional FireBall digital audio ports provided.
- Connect audio from each CD Changer to FireBall. Just be sure to connect a similar type audio input port on FireBall to an audio output port on the changer.

# **Connecting Devices Using the IR Input**

- Insert an appropriate IR cable that will connect to the 1/8" mini connector on the back of the FireBall Unit.
- Insert the other end of the IR cable into the IR out port on your device.



The Kenwood and Pioneer DVD changers have both Digital Coax Out and TOSLink ports and could be connected through either type of cabling.



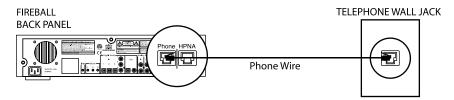
Sony changers must have matching S-Link and Optical Digital Audio ports. For example: the first Sony changer must use S-Link port 1 and Optical Digital port 1. The second Sony changer must use S-Link port 2 and Optical Digital port 2, etc...

# Connecting to the Internet using the Internal Modem

FireBall contains an internal modem that can be used to connect to the Internet for retrieving information such as music data, cover art, and entertainment services.

- Use the Telephone Cable.

  (Can be identified by see-through connectors. This is the smaller of the two cables with see-through connectors, also known as an RJ-11 cable)
- Connect one end of the telephone cable to the FireBall Phone (modem jack).



Connect the other end of the telephone cable to the **Telephone Wall Jack**.



FireBall is designed to automatically connect and disconnect from the Internet as needed. A list describing when Internet connections occur can be found in Appendix E.



The preferred method of connecting to the Internet is Broadband (either Cable Modem or DSL).

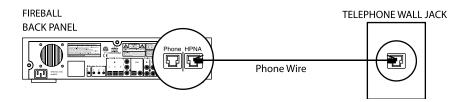


If you have a network with a gateway to the Internet, FireBall allows you to connect through a broadband connection such as Cable Modem or DSL service. This may require the use of optional network equipment. Please consult your Escient Dealer for details.

# **Connecting to HPNA Networks (FireBall)**

FireBall has an HPNA jack that can be used to connect to the internet through and HPNA enabled PC with Internet connection sharing. (Minimum and maximum length cabling requirements are found in Appendix G - Home Networking.)

- Use the **Telephone Cable.**(Can be identified by see-through connectors. This is the smaller of the two cables with see-through connectors, also known as an RJ-11 cable)
- Connect one end of the telephone cable to the FireBall HPNA jack.



**3** Connect the other end of the telephone cable to a **Telephone Wall Jack**.



Connecting to the Internet using Ethernet requires an HPNA to Ethernet Bridge, such as the Escient Broadband Kit. In addition, certain minimum and maximum length cabling requirements must be met. Please see Appendix G - Home Networking for additional information.

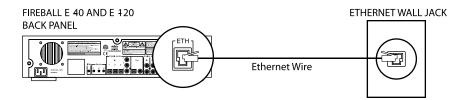
# Connecting to Broadband Networks (FireBall E)

FireBall-E has an Ethernet jack that can be used to connect to the internet through a broadband internet connection such as a Cable Modem or DSL line, or through a standard Ethernet LAN.

- Use the Ethernet Cable.

  Ethernet Wire

  (Can be identified by see-through connectors. This is the larger of the two cables with see-through
  - connectors, also known as an RJ-45 cable)
- Connect one end of the ethernet cable to the FireBall Ethernet jack.



3 Connect the other end of the ethernet cable to an **Ethernet network**.



The preferred method of connecting to the Internet is Broadband (either Cable Modem or DSL).

# **Connecting to Third Party Control Systems**

Three RS-232 serial ports are available on FireBall. You can use one of these ports to control FireBall from an external home theater or whole house control system.

FireBall is compatible with AMX and Crestron RS-232 control systems. Additional equipment may be supported. Please check the Escient website for an updated list of compatible control systems.\*

The RS-232 cable needed to connect FireBall to any of these models is dependent upon the model's RS-232 pin configuration, and therefore the cable may have to be custom-made. In most cases this will be a DB-9 Null Modem Cable (refer to Appendix A).

- Find the RS-232 pin configuration for your Control System model in Appendix A of this manual.
- **2** Contact a Custom Cable Supplier to make a cable for your particular configuration.
- 3 Connect one end of this cable to the FireBall RS-232 communication Port.
- Connect the other end of this cable to the RS-232 communication port on your Control System.



\* Control and Audio Distribution system models that can integrate with FireBall are updated periodically and may not be reflected in this particular manual.

Please consult your Dealer or the Escient website if you wish to use a control system not specified in this manual.

# **Connecting an Escient Touch Screen**

Three RS-232 serial ports are available on FireBall. You can use one of these ports to control FireBall from the optional Escient ETP-1000 Touch Screen.

Other touch screen systems may be compatible. Please contact your dealer for more information.

The RS-232 cable needed to connect FireBall to the Escient ETP-1000 touch screen is included with the touch screen.

- Connect one end of this cable to the FireBall RS-232 communication Port.
- Connect the other end of this cable to the RS-232 communication port on the ETP-1000 touch panel.



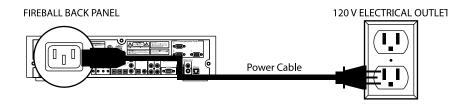
Please consult your Dealer or the Escient website if you wish to use a touch screen not specified in this manual.

# **Connecting the Power Cord**

Use the **Power Cord**.



Connect one end of power cord to the FireBall AC Port (plug).



3 Connect the other end of the power cord to a 120V electrical outlet.



Caution: To prevent electric shock, do not use a 3 wire to 2 wire adapter plug. A 3 prong outlet is required.



It is recommended to connect the power cord to a UPS, surge supressor, or directly to a wall outlet. NEVER CONNECT THE POWER CORD TO A SWITCHED OUTLET.

# FireBall Power States: On, Standby, Off

After the FireBall unit is plugged in, the Standby LED located next to the power button will flash until the startup process is complete. **Please wait. This may take several minutes depending on the size of your music collection**.

When the Standby LED is solid ON, the FireBall is now in a standby or "sleep" mode. There is no video output when FireBall is in standby mode and the front panel display is off. Press the Power button (on the front panel or on the remote) once and the video output and front panel display will turn on. The unit is now ON.

To change from the ON mode back to the standby or "sleep" mode, press the Power button on the front panel or on the remote once.

If power is removed from FireBall for any reason, including a power outage or if the unit is unplugged, FireBall will automatically return to the Standby state as soon as power is restored. When FireBall is turned on again, FireBall will return to the same source mode that it was in when power was lost.

To force the FireBall to restart, PRESS and HOLD the Power button for 4 seconds, and release it when the standby LED starts blinking. When the Standby LED is solid on and FireBall has completed its startup process, press the Power button once to turn on the FireBall.



Please follow the guidelines regarding Power ON and Power Standby procedures.

#### FireBall has four power states:

- ON you will see video output on your display.
- 2. STARTING (flashing LED)
- STANDBY or SLEEP no video output, the Power LED is lit constant, powered but not running.
- OFF unplugged from the wall.

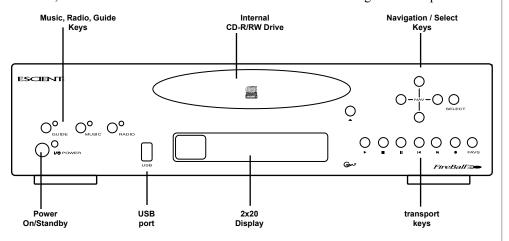
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#### **Front Panel Basics**

You can access most of the features of FireBall through the front panel, but this is not the recommended method since some options are not available through the front panel. For instance, the SETUP and OPTION features are not available through the front panel.



# **Using the Remote Control**

The FireBall IR remote is a Universal remote control with capabilities to control other Escient products, as well as 5 other common home theater sources.

**SOURCE KEYS** - puts the remote into each of the following modes:

AUX - all others

**CBL** - cable convertors

**DVD** - DVD player

TV - Television

FB - FireBall

TB - TuneBase 200

**PP** - not used

**RCV** - receivers or stereo tuners (TNR=RCV on remote)

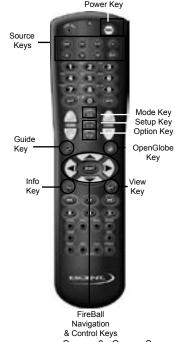
**GUIDE** - toggles between the Guide and Player screen.

**INFO** - used to toggle the type of details you see on your screen. For instance, if you're in player mode the cover art would be replaced with track times. This is also used to toggle "select all tracks/select no tracks" under the current title when you are in Delete Music mode, Transfer to Portable mode, Create/Edit Playlist mode, Create/Edit Group mode, and in the Record screens.

**POWER** - operates on the currently selected source and turns the unit to standby.

**MODE** - toggles through the different play modes.

**SETUP** - shows FireBall's setup menu for making system-wide changes.



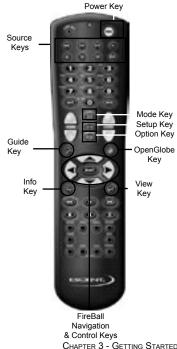
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**OPTION** - brings up the OPTIONS screen for the current Guide or Player.

**OPENGLOBE** - takes you to the CE-Commerce screens to allow you to browse and purchase music and movies using your FireBall.

VIEW - toggles the Guide screen Views through Artist, Music, Song, and Cover views.

Navigation Keys - the UP, DOWN, LEFT, and RIGHT ARROW keys are used to navigate and highlight items, while the SELECT key is used to accept the currently highlighted item.



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**NUMERIC/TEXT keypad** - allows you to enter text and numbers. Both text and numbers are active at all times unless only numeric data can be accepted at that time. An on-screen indicator will show you when only numeric data will be accepted. Text entry is described later in this section

VOLUME - turns the volume up or down for the current source (See Appendix H.).

CH/PAGE up and down keys are used to page full screens in the Guide or Player.

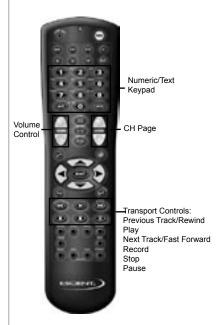
TRANSPORT Controls:



The **BACKSPACE** key operates as a standard Previous Track key when it is pressed once by starting the current track over. Pressing the key again within two seconds will skip back to the previous track. Pressing and holding this key will perform a scan backwards and you will hear the music as it scans back at high speed. This key is also used as the Backspace key when entering text in a text box such as on the registration screen. Finally this key can also be used as the back button when browsing the OpenGlobe CE-Commerce opportunities.



The **PLAY** key causes the currently highlighted item in the Guide or the Player to be played. This key is also used to clear all of the text in a text box.





The **SPACE** key operates as a standard Next Track key when it is pressed by advancing to the start of the next track. Pressing and holding this key will perform a scan forward and you will hear the music as it scans forwardat high speed. This key is also used as the Space key when entering text in a text box such as on the registration screen. Finally this key can also be used as the Forward key when browsing the OpenGlobe CE-Commerce opportunities.



The **RECORD** key is used in the Music Guide and Music Player screens to select the currently highlighted CD to be recorded to digital format to the hard disc. This key is also used as a Save button to commit changes made on many screens throughout FireBall.



The **STOP** key is used to stop music that is currently playing. This key is also used as a Cancel button to interrupt a process such as recording a CD to digital music or to exit certain screens in FireBall. This key also acts as the STOP loading pages button when browsing the OpenGlobe CE-Commerce opportunities.



The **PAUSE** key is used to pause music that is currently playing.



Transport Controls: Previous Track/Rewind Play Next Track/Fast Forward Record Stop Pause **iRADIO** - selects Internet Radio as the current mode. The currently available Internet Radio stations will be displayed.

**MUSIC** - selects Music as the current mode. The contents of your music collection will be displayed.

**NEXT** - skips forward to the next song based on the current play mode.

**RANDOM** - allows one key access to start playing your music randomly.

**ADD TO FAVORITES** - adds the currently highlighted song to the special Playlist called "favorites".

**PLAY FAVORITES** - allows one key access to play your favorite music. Plays the "Favorites" Playlist.



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# **Text Entry Via the FireBall Remote Control**

The remote control can be used to enter text in all text fields. This text entry capability is provided to allow you to fill out short text fields – such as those that occur in the setup and edit screens. FireBall's IR keyboard should be used when extended typing is required.

#### **Entering Numeric Entry Mode**

In fields where FireBall expects only numeric characters to be entered (such as phone number fields), an indicator will appear on the screen that displays the letters "123" indicating that only numbers can be entered.

#### **Typing Characters with the Remote**

The remote control based text entry capability is similar to that provided on standard telephones and cell phones. Each numeric key has characters associated with it that can be accessed by pressing the key one or more times. You have .5 seconds after a key is pressed to enter a second character from the same key. If you press the same key within .5 seconds, the second character associated with that key replaces the initial character. If you do not press the same key within .5 seconds, the text cursor moves to the next location so that the same key can be pressed again to enter a second character.



Text entry is always in the Insert Mode rather than in Overtype mode.

The "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", and "8" keys each support three letters and one number and can be pressed from one to seven times to display upper case, lower case, and numeric characters. The "7" and "9" keys both support four letters and one number and can be pressed from one to nine times. The "1" and "0" keys support all of the special characters and will cycle through each character for every key press.

The text characters follow the same convention used by a standard telephone – except in the case of the "1" and "0" keys which contain additional characters that are useful for editing music information.

When entering characters at the beginning of a field or characters that follow a space, FireBall assumes that upper case characters are preferred. Therefore, characters are entered in the following cycle – uppercase, lowercase, and numeric. For example, the first key press enters an uppercase letter corresponding to the first letter associated with the key. Pressing the "2" key once displays an "A" in the text field, pressing the "2" key twice displays a "B", pressing it again will display a "C". The fourth key press displays a lower case "a", the fifth key press displays a lower case "b", and the sixth key press displays a lower case "c". Lastly, pressing the "2" key a seventh time displays the number "2"

When entering the second character in a text field or the second character following a space, FireBall assumes that lower case is preferred and the character entry cycles in the following pattern – lowercase, uppercase, and numeric.



The following text entry table describes the sequence of characters that appear when specific keys are pressed on the remote:

Numeric Key	Alpha-numeric Mode  1st character or	Alpha-numeric Mode 2 <sup>nd</sup> character or
	1st character after a space	2 <sup>nd</sup> character after a space
1	1. / , ? ': ; &~!	1. / , ? ':; &~!
2	ABCabc2	abcABC2
3	DEFdef3	defDEF3
4	GHIghi4	ghiGHI4
5	JKLjkl5	jklJKL5
6	MNOmno6	mnoMNO6
7	PQRSpqrs7	pqrsPQRS7
8	TUVtuv8	tuvTUV8
9	WXYZwxyz9	wxyzWXYZ9
0	0@*#[]()+=	0@*#[]()+=

# Navigating within a text entry box using the remote:

- Backspace over text Backspace key
- Delete text Play key (clears all text input in the current Edit Field)
- Insert a space in text Space key
- Cursor left within a text field
   Left arrow key
- Cursor right within a text field
   Right arrow key

#### To exit a text entry box:

- Press the Enter or Select key to accept the text and move the text cursor to the to the next available text field or to highlight the next available non-text field.
- Press the up or down cursor key to move the highlight to the next available field.
- Press the Record key (if in an Option screen) to save the text and exit the screen.

# What Is The Setup Process?

To optimize FireBall so that you can enjoy all of its capabilities, you will need to go through a "setup" procedure.

You will encounter two types of setup procedures within FireBall.

- The first type of Setup is Quick Start, and occurs automatically the first time FireBall is used. It is a required procedure which presents a series of screens and menus that enable FireBall to connect to Escient's OpenGlobe Services via the Internet and to configure your FireBall for your location.
- The second type of Setup is one you can initiate at any time by pressing the Setup button on your remote or wireless keyboard. This particular setup allows you to customize user preferences, audio and video settings, changer management, communication port settings, security and more.



The Quick Start process takes an average of 5 minutes to complete. However, the time it takes to process your music library (get CD cover art, titles, artist info) depends upon the number of CD changers and the number of CDs in your collection. For example, four-hundred (400) CDs could take a couple of hours to complete.

You do not have to be present during Autobuild. FireBall can be left unattended during this process.

# **Running Quick Start**

- It will be easier if you use the wireless keyboard for this procedure. After you are done with Quick Start, you can use any of the input devices: remote or keyboard. (You cannot use the touch panel during the Quick Start procedure.)
- If you have an Internet Service Provider (ISP), gather the following information:
  - Access or Dialup Number
  - Screen Name or Login Name
  - Login Password
  - Name of ISP

FireBall has a simple interface menu so that you can easily select and configure your connection on an existing account. Most other ISPs are supported if they use standard PPP type connections. If you do not know if your ISP supports this standard (Point to Point Protocol), simply call the provider and ask. If you do not have an Internet Service Provider (ISP), please sign up for one before proceeding to step 3.

Press **Power** on the wireless keyboard or on the FireBall front panel. If you are using the remote, press the **FB** source button first, then press the **Power** key.



You can use the remote to get through the Quick Start procedure, but it will be easier using the wireless keyboard since you may have to enter text and numeric information on some of the menus and screens.



Free Internet Service providers (ISPs) do not use standard, consistent methods of Internet connectivity and do not open their networks to outside users. Escient has set up an out of the box offer with AOL. You can sign up for AOL Internet access by following the instructions on the QuickStart screens.

# **Guided Tour Through Quick Start**

Quick Start is a setup procedure that occurs automatically the first time the Power button is pressed. It is a required procedure which presents a series of screens and menus that enable FireBall to access the Internet and register with Escient.

Each screen contains a button bar at the bottom for accessing the previous or **back** page and the **next** page.



The UP, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT ARROW keys on the keyboard or remote are used to highlight the items while the SELECT key is used to accept the item. The default button on the Quick Start screens is the **next** button, which means you can always press the SELECT key to accept the current page and move to the next screen.

The following pages guide you through the entire Quick Start process.



Point your keyboard or remote toward the FireBall unit, and not your display device.



"Button" refers to a graphic item on the display screen.

"**Key**" refers to the pushdown mechanisms on your remote or keyboard.

#### Quick Start - Welcome



Quick Start - Navigation



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The Quick Start process begins with a welcome screen that describes all of the great FireBall features. Press the SELECT key to advance to the next page.



Using the remote control, follow the onscreen instructions to advance through each section of Quick Start. The arrow keys (Up, Down, Left, and Right) on the remote are used to move the onscreen highlight. Press the select button on the remote to activate the highlighted onscreen button.

#### Quick Start - Internet Access



Quick Start - New ISP Account





Do you currently have an ISP (Internet Service Provider)? The **yes** button is highlighted by default.

FireBall needs to be connected to the Internet in order for it to register ,lookup disc information, listen to Internet Radio, and to use the Enhanced Entertainment Services.

If you do not have an ISP account, you will be presented with instructions on how to sign up for one.

Pressing SELECT will advance you to the AOL Dial-up Login Info screen.

#### Quick Start - Internet Access Connection Type (FireBall)



#### Quick Start - Internet Access Connection Type (FireBall E)



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Which type of Internet connection do you have? The choices are: AOL Dial-up, CompuServe Dial-up, Other Dial-up, Ethernet (cable modem, DSL, LAN) or HomePNA. AOL Dial-up is highlighted by default.

If you are using Ethernet or HomePNA, go to step 8.

# (FireBall E)

Which type of Internet connection do you have? The choices are: AOL Dial-up, CompuServe Dial-up, Other Dial-up, or Ethernet (cable modem, DSL, LAN). AOL Dial-up is highlighted by default.

If you are using Ethernet, go to step 8.

#### Quick Start - Internet Access - Free Dialup ISP Information





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The FireBall is compatible with any dialup ISP which supports standard PPP connections, however FireBall does not support the "free" ISPs. If you are trying to use one of these "free" ISPs you will need to obtain a new account with another ISP such as AOL, MSN, or Earthlink.

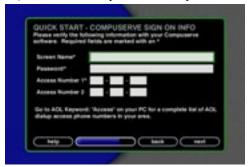
Quick Start - AOL Dialup User



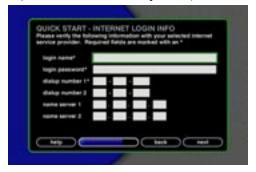


If you selected AOL Dialup as your ISP, you enter your AOL screen name, password, and access numbers here. If you use AOL on your PC, you can get your access numbers from your AOL PC software. You can also find your local AOL access number on the web at: http://access.web.aol.com/ or AOL keyword "Access".

#### Quick Start - CompuServe Dialup User



Quick Start - Other Dialup User (standard PPP)

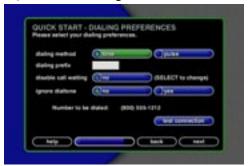


If you selected CompuServe as your ISP, you enter your CompuServe user name, password, and access numbers here. If you use CompuServe on your PC, you can get your access numbers from your CompuServe PC software. You can also find your local CompuServe access number on the web at: http://www.compuserve.com/content/phone/access.htm or AOL keyword "Access".

If you selected Other Dialup as your ISP, you enter your user name, password, and dialup numbers here. Contact your ISP if you need help with this information.

A Name Server IP address is not required but may be required by your ISP. Check with your ISP to make sure.

#### Quick Start - Dialing Preferences







The Dialing Preferences screen allows you to set the dialing preferences for your location.

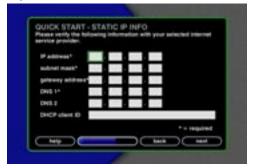
Call Waiting is usually disabled by using the "\*70" prefix, but other methods such as "70#" or "1170" may be required. Check with your local phone company if you are having problems.

The exact phone number which will be dialed is also displayed.

#### Quick Start - IP Addressing



Quick Start - Static IP Info



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For HPNA (FireBall only) and Ethernet connections, you will be asked what type of IP Addressing to use. In most cases this can be left as DYNAMIC.

If your network requires static IP addresses, select **static** and go to the next screen.



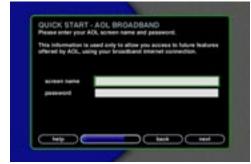
If you are on an HPNA (FireBall only) or Ethernet network and you selected Static IP addressing, you will see the Static IP Info screen.

Enter the IP address, subnet mask, gateway address, domain name servers, and DHCP client ID information here. This information should be obtained from your network administrator or ISP.

#### Quick Start - Broadband Access



#### Quick Start - AOL or Road Runner Broadband Users







For HPNA (FireBall only) and Ethernet connections, you will be asked if you use AOL or Road Runner for your broadband access.

If you are not an AOL or Road Runner customer, select Other. For AOL and Road Runner users, this information is NOT used for network access. It is only used to receive updates and gain access to any future AOL broadband services

AOL and Roadrunner broadband users will be prompted to enter their AOL screen name and password or Roadrunner email address and password in order to automatically receive updates and gain access to any future broadband services.

#### Quick Start - HPNA/Ethernet Network Test



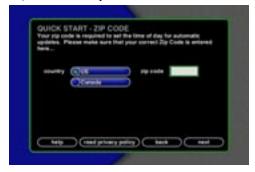


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For HPNA (FireBall only) and Ethernet connections, you can run the HPNA/Ethernet Connection Test.

This test checks each part of the Internet connection, informs you if there are any problems, and offers suggestions on how to correct them.

#### Quick Start - Zip Code Information





All users are required to enter the Zip code (or Canadian Postal Code) for the location of their FireBall. The Zip Code is only used to set the time of day for automatic updates.

Select the "**read privacy policy**" button if you are interested in reviewing Escient's Privacy Policy. The Privacy Policy is also available from the SETUP menu

#### Quick Start - Privacy Policy



#### Quick Start - Registration



Select the **more...** button to page down through the Privacy Policy. When you are finished, select the **return** button to return to the Zip Code screen.

Once the Zip Code is entered, Quick Start will connect to the Escient server using your Internet connection and register your FireBall. When the registration process is complete, you will see this screen.

Press the SELECT button on your remote to continue.

#### **Run the Autobuild Process**

FireBall manages CD libraries on external changers through an initial identification process Escient calls "Autobuild". During this process, FireBall contacts the Gracenote CDDB database to gather data about each of the CDs in your collection. This information includes Artist, Songs/Titles, and Cover Art.

To initiate an Autobuild, load the changer(s) with discs and close the door or, if the discs are already loaded, open and close the changer(s) doors. FireBall will immediately initiate a connection to the CDDB database on the Internet to get the data for your collection. Processing time will vary based on changer brand and models and the number of CDs in your music collection.

When complete, the guide screen will be updated with a CD group on the filter bar and all music available from the attached CD changer(s) will be identified by a CD icon to the left of the title/artist/track that it recognizes. Some CDs may not be recognized, and in that instance, FireBall attaches a generic "style/genre of music" cover and generic text.



We recommend that you do not interrupt the Autobuild process. Please allow enough time (see note below) for the process to complete.



The length of time it takes to complete the Autobuild process is dependent upon changer brand and model. In addition, please allow approximately 30-60 seconds per disc for the actual information processing. This means that a fully loaded 200-disc changer could potentially take 200 minutes.

# **Inserting and Removing Discs**

After the initial Autobuild, what happens when you insert and remove discs from your changer? If FireBall detects that a changer door has been closed, the Quick Lookup screen is shown, and FireBall will begin to check each previously empty slot in the changer to see if any new discs were added. It also checks each previously occupied slot in the changer to see if any discs were removed.

Do not remove and insert discs in the same slot in the same step because Autobuild will not know that this slot changed.



Do not remove and insert discs in the same slot in the same step.



Escient Pipeline software allows you to add scanned or downloaded covers not recognized by FireBall.

If it finds new CDs, FireBall will initiate a connection to the CDDB database on the Internet to get data for your new CD.

If you remove discs and put others back in the same slot, you will have to manually initiate a <u>detailed lookup</u> such as **lookup range** or **lookup all** in the **changer management** section in SETUP. The GET MUSIC INFO screen will report the status of the lookup progress until it is complete, or you press STOP to cancel the operation.

# **Adding or Removing Changers**

If a changer has been attached to FireBall, removed, and then re-attached, FireBall will assume that the disc collection has not changed. If you have made disc changes to FireBall, you should manually go to the **changer management** section in SETUP and check all discs to insure that all discs are recognized.

If a changer has been attached to FireBall, but then is completely removed, the titles for CDs in that changer and the playlists still appear in the Guide. However, unlike MP3 music which is located on the FireBall, the CDs and playlists from this particular changer are not available for play and are indicated by a questin mark "?" in the Title's icon..

If supported changers are not found, you will be asked if you want to disconnnect the changer permanantly, try again to locate it, or ignore the fact that it was not found.



Networked FireBalls: Music from attached changers is available for play on the FireBall which is physically connected to the changer.

Unlike MP3 music, CDs are not available for play to or from remote FireBalls or MP-100 Players attached to a home network.

#### WARNING!

Selecting "Disconnect" will permanently remove all CDs in that changer from your Music Guide. In order to re-connect the changer and show the CDs in the Music Guide, you must perform a full Autobuild on the changer if it is reconnected at a later time.



Power the changer On.

Insert discs. If discs are already inserted, simply open and close the changer door.

This will start the Autobuild process which is the downloading of information regarding your CD collection.

## **Register with Escient**

Please take a moment to register FireBall.

- Press SETUP on your remote or wireless keyboard.
- SELECT user information.
- SELECT user registration.
- Follow instructions on screen

# Using the Front Panel, Remote, Keyboard, or Touch Screen

You can navigate through the FireBall menus and screens using any of the following devices: FireBall front panel, remote, wireless keyboard, touch screen.

In order to use your ETP-1000 Touch Panel, it must be calibrated with the calibration utility. See Chapter 9 for this procedure.

Each device has its pros and cons and each individual user will undoubtedly have their favorite access method. It is possible that you may end up using different devices depending upon what you want to do.

The basics of navigation are:

- Use the UP, DOWN, LEFT, and RIGHT ARROW keys to maneuver around the screen to highlight items of interest.
- Use the SELECT key to accept the highlighted item.



In order to use your ETP-1000 Touch Panel, it must be calibrated with the calibration utility. See Chapter 9 for this procedure.



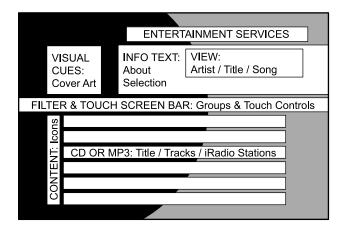
For a complete overview of each access device, please refer to the Appendices.

#### **Overview Of User Interface**

The FireBall user interface is very simple and uses three common screens throughout. The screens operate consistently, regardless of the source. The screens you will see are Guide Screen, Player screen, and Options Screen.

#### **Guide Screen Overview**

Guides contain listings of content that can be selected for listening and assist you in finding and organizing your library.





Sample Guide Screen

#### **Content Icons**

In front of each title in the Guide Screen is a content icon that describes the format and the type of media in the music library. Following are descriptions of all the icons.

- A CD or MP3 disc located in FireBall's internal disc drive
- A CD which is located in an external changer
- A CD which is located in an external changer which has been disconnected
- A collection of MP3 tracks
- A collection of MP3 tracks on a disconnected remote FireBall
- An Internet Radio station.
- A collection of songs known as a "playlist"
- An uncompressed audio file also known as a WAV file



Sample Guide Screen

### **Player Screen**

The Player screen is used to listen to audio content and display information about the currently playing content.

- The Music Player allows you to listen to a music selection and view the tracks that are being played, the name of the artist, the title, track times, and a large image of the album's cover art.
- The Radio Player allows you to listen to a selected iRadio station and view the station information and song information (if available).

### **Options Screen**

The OPTIONS menu for Music and iRadio are similarly configured but the wording is different. Both of the menus allow you to organize and edit your music content.







#### Title/Track Area Details

- Each item in the list represents a collection of music known as a "Title" in the Music Guide or a "Station" in the Internet Radio Guide. Icons are displayed on the left side of each row to indicate the type of Title or Station.
- Each Guide always has one highlighted Title or Station.
- A CD inserted into the front panel drive is always listed in the top location of the ALL group in the Music Guide.
- The currently highlighted title's information is displayed in the Info Text Area.
- Pressing the SELECT key when a Title is highlighted will expand the Title and reveal the tracks contained in that Title. Pressing the SELECT key again will collapse the Title and hide the track names.
- Titles are sorted alphabetically according to the current guide view: Cover, Songs, Titles, and Artists. The guide view can be changed by toggling the MENU/VIEW button on the remote or keyboard.
- Tracks are sorted by the track location on the original CD. On Playlists, tracks are sorted in the order they were originally selected when creating the Playlist.
- Pressing the PLAY key when a Title is highlighted will play the Title. Pressing the PLAY key when a Track is highlighted will play the track.
- Playing an External Audio Device from the Music Guide is accomplished by selecting the name of the external device from the "Ext Input" Group.

#### Screen Saver

All screens will display a screen saver after 10 minutes of inactivity (no user inputs received from the remote, keyboard, or front panel). You can change the timing of this option through the SETUP menu, PREFERENCES option. (10 minutes is the default.)

#### **Filter Bar Details**

If more than 5 groups exist, the Filter Bar displays an arrow pointing right next to the right most group. This indicates that additional groups are available. When you cursor past the right most group to access a new group, all of the displayed groups will slide to the left. An arrow pointing left will be displayed in the left most group.

There are 4 System groups created automatically: ALL which always exists and includes all titles, CD which includes only physical CD titles (but which only appears if a CD changer is connected), MP3 which includes only MP3 titles (but which appears only if there is a CD group), and PLAYLISTS which contains custom playlists created by you.

There are 15 groups generated automatically based on genre. These groups are Blues, Classical, Country, Dance, Easy, Family, Jazz, Latin, New Age, Other, Pop, R&B, Rock, and Sound Tracks. Each group will only appear if there is at least 1 CD of that genre in the database.



# **Chapter 4 - Playing Music**

Accessing Music Mode
Music Player Screen Overview
Navigating the Music Player Screen
Selecting and Listening to a Music Title
Sorting Music by Artist, Title, or Song
One Key Access to Favorite Music
One Key Access to Random Music



# **Accessing Music Mode**

There are a number of ways of entering Music mode:

- Open the CD tray located on the front of the FireBall and insert an MP3 or audio CD. FireBall will switch from its current mode and start to play. It will then connect to the internet to identify the disc and load the information into the music library, display the track list, title artist, and cover art in the Music Player View.
- 2. Select the MUSIC key. FireBall displays the Music Guide view so that you can navigate and select an item of choice.
- 3. Select the RANDOM key on the remote. FireBall displays the Player Screen and starts playing the currently selected group in Random Play Mode.
- 4. Once you have created a "Favorites" playlist, you can select the PLAY FAVORITES key to automatically start playing the music on this list.



While in Music mode, you can listen to the following music:

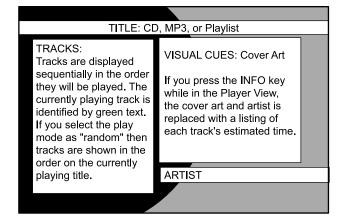
- Listen to CD in front panel CD tray.
- Listen to any CD in attached CD Changers.
- Listen to any digital music, including MP3 tracks, that have been recorded onto FireBall's internal hard disc.



If you insert an MP3 CD into the CD tray, only the first 250 songs are identified.

# **Music Player Screen Overview**

When you select a music title for listening, the screen displayed is the Music Player screen.





When a Playlist is playing, the cover and artist name from the currently playing track will be displayed and the Playlist name will appear in place of the usual title.

# **Navigating the Music Player Screen**

- ARROW Use the UP and DOWN keys to move the highlight from one track to another. The RIGHT and LEFT keys are not used on the Music Player Screen.
- SELECT Pressing this key when a track is highlighted stops playing the selected track and starts playing the highlighted track. You can also play the track by pressing the PLAY key.
- PAGE UP, PAGE DOWN These keys are used to scroll the music player track
  list one page at a time. Each page can display up to 12 tracks at a time. An arrow
  will appear at the bottom of the track list when there are more than 12 tracks in the
  current Title.
- NUMERIC KEYPAD You can enter a track number using the keypad and then pressing the ENTER key.
- INFO When you press this key, detailed track information is displayed including track times, current play mode, and the running time for the currently playing track.
- RECORD Pressing this key initiates a "recording" session. See the next Chapter "Recording Music" for details.
- PLAY, PAUSE, & STOP These keys are used to play, pause, or stop music. An onscreen status is provided each time the key is pressed.
- TRACK NEXT & BACK These keys are used to skip forward and backward to the next/previous track. An onscreen status is provided each time the key is pressed.



# Selecting and Listening to a Music Title

- Press the MUSIC key and the MUSIC GUIDE screen appears.
- Use the LEFT and RIGHT ARROW keys to highlight the GROUP of your choice.
- Use the UP and DOWN ARROW keys to highlight the music title of your choice.
- Press the PLAY key to play the highlighted title. The title, tracks, and cover art are displayed in the Player screen and the music plays.

## Viewing Music by Artist, Title, Cover or Song

- Press the MUSIC key if you are not in Music Mode.
- **2** Press the GUIDE key, if you do not see the Music Guide. The MUSIC GUIDE screen appears.
- Press the MENU/VIEW key. The screen will toggle through each of the different Music Guide Views. You'll see your music collection sorted alphabetically and displayed by Artist Name, Title, Songs or by Cover Art.



# One Key Access to Favorite Music

The PLAY FAVORITES key on the remote or keyboard allows you to immediately start playing the music in your "Favorites" playlist. No other key presses are required once you have added music to the list.

To add music to your "Favorites" playlist from the Music Player screen, simply press the ADD FAVORITES key on the keyboard or remote to quickly add the CURRENT highlighted track to the playlist. "Song will be added to Favorites" will appear across the bottom of the Player screen for 3 seconds.

To add music to your "Favorites" playlist from the Music Guide, simply highlight any Track name and press the ADD FAVORITES key on the keyboard or remote. "Song will be added to Favorites" and will appear in the Information area of the Guide screen.

# One Key Access to Random Music

When you press the RANDOM key on the remote or keyboard, FireBall automatically starts playing the current group in Random Group mode.



Play Favorites

# **Chapter 5 - Recording Music**

Available Recording Modes
Types of Recording Discs Supported
Compression Rates Versus MP3 Audio Quality
Navigating the MUSIC-RECORD Screen
Rip to Internal HD Recording Option
Duplicate a Disc Recording Option
MP3 Mix CD Recording Option
Audio Mix CD Recording Option
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External to MP3 on HD Recording Option



## **Available Recording Modes**

When you press the RECORD key on the remote or keyboard, the MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS dialog screen appears.



You will choose a record mode and follow the instructions on screen. You can cancel the record process at any time, at which time any temporary data is deleted from the internal hard disc. When the Record process is complete or if it is stopped before completion, you are returned to the Guide screen.

## Types of Recording Discs Supported

FireBall is compliant with RIAA guidelines for music recording. The only blank media that can be used in FireBall for recording Red Book Audio CDs is either Music CD-R or Music CD-RW discs. Blank CD-R and CD-RW discs labeled "Data" cannot be used for creating audio CDs with FireBall. (Music CD-R and CR-RW discs are licensed for copying music because the manufacturer has paid a royalty to the RIAA.)

"Data" CD-R and CD-RW discs can be used to create MP3 Mix CDs.

# **Compression Rates Versus MP3 Audio Quality**

When you record a CD to FireBall and it is compressed into an MP3 file, a certain amount of the original data is removed and lost forever during the compression process. Although the sound is not exactly the same, the quality is usually very close to the original.

There are instances, however, in which you may notice degradation that you want to correct. You may be able to improve the quality of the audio by using higher bit rates, which can be set through the SETUP menu, **preferences**, **music recording preferences**. The higher the bit rate, the higher the quality of the audio. Higher quality audio requires more storage space on your FireBall. The result is that you will be able to store fewer songs using a higher bit rate than at a lower bit rate.

FireBall's default bit rate is set at 192kbps and will yield good results. Bit rates such as 320kbps will yield even better results. Setting your bit rate to "uncompressed" will copy the raw CD audio from a CD to your FireBall without any compression. This produces an exact copy of the original audio CD inside your FireBall. Recording uncompressed will take up alot of space on your FireBall. Although this feature is available on all FireBalls, it is recommended for only the high capacity FireBall E-120 model because of it's large internal hard drive storage space.



The higher the bit rate, the higher the quality of the audio.

This higher quality comes at a cost....higher quality audio will use more space on the hard drive than lower quality audio.

Uncompressed recording requires more storage space on the hard drive.

### FireBall has 6 recording modes:

**rip to internal hd** - When this mode is selected, you can copy CD Audio tracks from the internal CD drive or external changer to the Internal Hard Disc as MP3 or uncompressed audio files ("rip" is the term that describes recording from a CD to the internal hard drive).

**duplicate disc** - When this mode is selected, you can create an exact copy of an MP3 or Audio Disc from the internal drive or an external changer.

**audio mix cd** - When this mode is selected, you can create a compilation or mix disc of your favorite audio tracks that can be played on most consumer CD players.

**mp3 mix cd** - When this mode is selected, you can create a compilation or mix disc of your favorite MP3 tracks that can be played on most PCs and devices that support MP3s.

**ext to audio cd** - When this mode is selected, you can record from external audio sources (radio, tape, LPs, receiver record outputs) to an Audio CD that can be played on most consumer CD players.

**ext to hd** - When this mode is selected, you can record external audio sources (radio, tape, LPs, receiver record outputs) to the internal hard disc using the current music recording preferences.





FireBall is compliant with legal guidelines for music recording. The only blank media that can be used in FireBall for recording Red Book Audio CDs is either Audio CD-R or Audio CD-RW discs. Blank CD-R and CD-RW discs labeled "Data" cannot be used for creating Red Book Audio CDs with FireBall.

# **Navigating the MUSIC-RECORD Screen**

When you select one of the "record" options on the MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen, the MUSIC-RECORD Select Guide appears.

The navigation of this screen is the same as the Music Guide with the following exceptions:

- SKIP BACKWARD Not used.
- STOP cancels the recording process.
- RECORD continues the record process.
- GUIDE, OPTION, & OPENGLOBE have no function.



# **Rip to Internal HD Recording Option**

When this mode is selected, you can copy CD Audio tracks to the Internal Hard Disc using the current bit rate selected in the SETUP menu, preferences, music recording preferences.

- Press the MUSIC key.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- 3 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option **rip to internal hd**.
- Press the SELECT key. The MUSIC-RECORD Select Guide appears. CD Audio and MP3 discs in the front panel CD drive and the external changer appear on the screen. The last highlighted Title will automatically be selected.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight specific tracks you want to record and use the SELECT key to select or deselect each item.
- **6** Press the INFO key to select or deselect all tracks on a highlighted title.
- **7** Press the RECORD key to begin the rip process.



If there is a disc in the front panel CD drive, it is expanded and all of its tracks are selected by default. This allows you to press RECORD again to quickly rip all tracks from an inserted disc.

To rip all the CDs in a changer - use the ARROW and SELECT keys to highlight 300 or less songs, then press the RECORD key to begin the rip process.

Pressing the INFO key will select/deselect all tracks on the highlighted title.

You will need to keep track of the songs already ripped and then start another session by repeating the entire procedure. Since recording is done in real time, each session will take a while. Example: 30 CDs will take approximately 30 hours to rip.)

# **Duplicate a Disc Recording Option**

When this mode is selected, you can create an exact copy of an MP3 or CD disc located in an external changer or the internal CD drive.

- Press the MUSIC key on your remote or keyboard.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- **3** Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option **duplicate disc**.
- Press the SELECT key. The MUSIC-RECORD Select Guide appears. CD Audio and MP3 discs in the front panel CD drive and the external changers appear on the screen.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight a title and use the SELECT key to accept the item. You can select only 1 title for duplication, so if you select another title the currently selected title is unselected.
- **6** Press the RECORD key to begin the process. The selected disc will be read into the FireBall.
- Once the disc has been read and ejected, you will be asked to insert a blank disc.
- After you insert a blank disc, FireBall will write the new disc. You are notified when the process is completed and the new disc is ejected.



If you insert an MP3 CD into the CD drive, only the first 250 songs are identified.



FireBall is compliant with legal guidelines for music recording. The only blank media that can be used in FireBall for recording Red Book Audio CDs is either "Audio CD-R" or "Audio CD-RW" discs. "Data CD-R" and "Data CD-RW" media cannot be used for creating Red Book Audio CDs with FireBall.

# MP3 Mix CD Recording Option

When this mode is selected, you can create a compilation or mix disc of your favorite MP3 tracks that can be played on most PCs and devices that support MP3s.

- Press the MUSIC key.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option mp3 mix cd.
- Press the SELECT key. The MUSIC-RECORD Select Guide appears. CD Audio and MP3 discs in the front panel CD drive, the external changers, and the internal hard drive appear on the screen.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight a title and use the SELECT key to select one or more tracks for your mix disc.
- **6** Press the INFO key to select or deselect all tracks on a highlighted title.
- Press the RECORD key to begin the process. You will be asked to insert a blank disc.
- After you insert a blank disc, FireBall will write the new disc. You are notified when the process is completed and the new disc is ejected.



Tracks selected from an external changer are played and recorded in real-time then converted to MP3 format before being recorded to the CD. This process of converting formats will cause the record time to increase.

# **Audio Mix CD Recording Option**

When this mode is selected, you can create a compilation or mix disc of your favorite CD audio tracks that can be played on most consumer CD players.

- Press the MUSIC key on your remote or keyboard.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option **audio mix CD** and press the SELECT key. The MUSIC-RECORD Select Guide appears.
- Use the ARROW keys to highlight one or more tracks and use the SELECT key to select tracks for the Mix.
- **6** Press the INFO key to select or deselect all tracks on a highlighted title.
- **6** Press the RECORD again key to begin the recording process.
- Once the selected tracks are read into the FireBall, you will be asked if you want to add more tracks. If you do want to add more tracks, select **add more** and repeat step. If you are done adding tracks to your Mix disc, select the **done** button. Any disc in the internal drive will be ejected, and you will be asked to insert a blank disc.
- After you insert a blank disc, FireBall will write the new mix disc. You are notified when the process is completed and the new disc is ejected.



You will have to select the tracks for inclusion on an Audio Mix CD in the exact order you want them to appear.



The **add more** feature is useful because it allows you to eject any CD-audio disc currently in the internal drive (by using the EJECT key on the front panel) and insert another source disc from which additional tracks can be chosen.

FireBall will write the Artist name and the track names and times to the new Audio CD using the CD-TEXT format. Most CD Players that are CD-TEXT compatible will be able display this information.

# **External to Audio CD Recording Option**

When this mode is selected, you can record external audio sources (radio, tape, LPs, receiver record outputs) to an Audio CD that can be played on most consumer CD players. Be sure that your particular device's audio outputs are properly connected to the analog audio input on the back of your FireBall.

- Press the MUSIC key on your remote or keyboard.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- **3** Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option **ext to audio cd**.
- Press the SELECT key. The EXTERNAL RECORD OPTION screen appears. You can accept the default settings and press RECORD again to begin the recording immediately, or edit the settings first.

The default settings are:

Artist: UnknownArtist

Title: UnknownTitle - <current date/time>

Year: <current\_year>

Track: Track 1

Record time: 30 minutes (maximum of 80 minutes)

Input: Analog



You can only record external audio from the analog audio inputs because the digital inputs are reserved for any CD changers.

Each external recording is saved as a single track. You can not split the resulting track into multiple tracks.

- Once you have edited the settings, press the RECORD key to continue the process.
- If there is a disc in the front panel CD drive it is ejected, and you are asked to insert a blank disc. Once a valid destination disc is inserted, the selected music is copied to the destination disc. You are notified when the process is completed.



FireBall is compliant with legal guidelines for music recording. The only blank media that can be used in FireBall for recording Red Book Audio CDs is either "Audio CD-R" or "Audio CD-RW" discs. "Data CD-R" and "Data CD-RW" media cannot be used for creating Red Book Audio CDs with FireBall.

Each external recording is saved as a single track. You can not split the resulting track into multiple tracks.

# **External to MP3 on HD Recording Option**

When this mode is selected, you can record external audio sources (radio, tape, LPs, receiver record outputs) as MP3 files on the internal hard disc. Be sure that this particular device's audio outputs are properly connected to the analog audio input on the back of your FireBall.

- Press the MUSIC key on your remote or keyboard.
- **2** Press the RECORD key. The MUSIC RECORD OPTIONS screen appears.
- 3 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the recording option ext to mp3 on hd.
- Press the SELECT key. The EXTERNAL RECORD OPTION screen appears. You can accept the default settings and press RECORD again to begin the recording immediately, or edit the settings first.

The default settings are:

Artist: UnknownArtist

Title: UnknownTitle - <current date/time>

Year: <current\_year>
Track: Track 1

Record time: 30 minutes (maximum of 80 minutes)

Input: Analog



FireBall is compliant with legal guidelines for music recording. The only blank media that can be used in FireBall for recording Red Book Audio CDs is either "Audio CD-R" or "Audio CD-RW" discs. "Data CD-R" and "Data CD-RW" media cannot be used for creating Red Book Audio CDs with FireBall.

Once you have edited the settings, press the RECORD key to continue the process. This begins the record to the internal hard disc as a single MP3 track.

When recording multiple tracks from the same album, ensure that the Artist and Title fields are all the same (case sensitive) and sequentially recorded. This information must be consistent in order to group the tracks into the same title.

You can use the Escient Pipeline PC software to modify this information later.



# **Chapter 6 - Managing Music**

To Further Organize Your Music

To Create a New Music Playlist

To Edit a Music Playlist

To Delete a Music Playlist

To Change How Music is Played

To Delete Digital Music on FireBall

To Edit Tracks

To Edit Disc Information

To Search For Cover Art

To Select Cover Art

To Access "More..." Music Options

To Create a New Music Group

To Edit a Music Group

To Delete a Music Group

To Erase CD-RW

To Transfer Music to a Portable MP3 Player

To Get Music Info



# **To Further Organize Your Music**

You can easily manage your music through FireBall's MUSIC OPTIONS feature. This set of screens allows you to create and manage Playlists (lists of songs) and Groups, look up and edit music information, and transfer music to portable players. In addition, MUSIC OPTIONS also allows you to adjust play modes.

There are two screens of MUSIC OPTIONS. The first screen appears when you press the OPTION key while in MUSIC mode. The second screen becomes available after selecting the "more..." button in the MUSIC OPTIONS panel.







- "Button" refers to a graphic item on the display screen.
- "**Key**" refers to the pushdown mechanisms on your remote or keyboard.



Use the ARROW keys to highlight the desired option and use the SELECT key to activate the desired option.

## To Create a New Music Playlist

A Playlist is a collection of specific songs from your music collection.

- Press the MUSIC key.
- **2** Press the OPTION key. The OPTION panel appears.
- SELECT the **new playlist** button. A screen displays so that you can enter the name for the new playlist.
- 4 After you have entered the new name, press SELECT to continue.
- When the playlist name is saved, the screen transitions to the EDIT PLAYLIST screen where you will select the tracks you want to add to the Playlist from all the music FireBall knows. Use the ARROW keys to navigate through the music and highlight your choice. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including (shows check mark) or not including a track in the current Playlist.
- **6** Press the RECORD key to save the new playlist and exit the OPTION mode.





If no songs are added to a new Playlist, it is not saved. Likewise, if all songs are removed from a playlist, it is deleted.

Up to 200 songs may be added to a playlist.

There is no limitation on the number of playlists you can create.

If you create a playlist that contains both MP3 and CD titles and you remove the CD Changer from FireBall, CD titles in the Playlist will be skipped during playback. (MP3 songs are stored on FireBall and are not affected.)

# To Edit a Music Playlist

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- 2 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the music playlist you want to edit.
- **3** Press the OPTION key.
- SELECT the **edit playlist** button. The EDIT PLAYLIST screen is displayed and allows you to edit the name of the playlist. You do not have to edit the name of the playlist in order to modify its members.
- Press the SELECT key to continue so that you can modify the tracks in the playlist.
- Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the titles. A check mark indicates when a track is to be included in the playlist. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including or not including a track.
- Press the RECORD key to save this playlist and exit the OPTION mode.





Use the INFO key when a Title is highlighted in the Edit Playlist screen to add/remove all tracks to/from the playlist.

# To Delete a Music Playlist

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- **2** Use the ARROW keys to highlight the music playlist you want to delete.
- **3** Press the OPTION key.
- At the OPTION panel, SELECT the **delete playlist** button to remove the currently active playlist. The DELETE PLAYLIST screen displays and shows the contents of the playlist.
- Press the RECORD key to delete the playlist and return to the previous Guide or Player view. A dialog message displays asking for confirmation before the playlist is deleted.



## To Change How Music is Played

- Press the MUSIC key and then press the OPTION key.
- At the OPTION panel, SELECT the play mode option button.
- Select the option of your choice from the available settings:
  - normal Start with a selected track and play the entire Title or Playlist to the end.
  - repeat track Keep playing the current track over and over again.
  - **repeat title** Keep playing the current music Title (CD, MP3, or Playlist) from start to finish and then start over.
  - repeat group Keep playing all the music Titles in the current group of music from start to finish and then start over.
  - random title Randomly select and play songs from the current Title (CD, MP3, or Playlist)
  - random group Randomly select and play songs from the current group of music.
- Press the SELECT key to set the selected play mode and return to the previous screen.

Note: The MODE key on the remote will cycle through each of these modes.



# To Delete Digital Music on FireBall

FireBall uses an internal hard drive to store your digitally recorded music. If you want to delete music from your FireBall, follow these instructions.

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- **2** Press the OPTION key.
- At the OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **delete music** option. The DELETE MUSIC screen displays an information panel that shows a storage meter indicating how much storage space has been used, the number of tracks that have been recorded, as well as how many more tracks and hours of music can still be recorded to FireBall.
- Press the SELECT key to advance to the Delete Music Select Guide.
- Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the titles and SELECT to expand and collapse titles. Use the SELECT key on a highlighted track to toggle a check mark on and off. A check mark indicates when a track is to be deleted.
- **6** Press the INFO key to select or deselect all tracks on a highlighted title.
- Press the RECORD key to delete the selected music tracks and exit the DELETE MUSIC screen.





The hours left and tracks left calculations are based on the current bit rate setting which is also shown on the information screen.



Use the INFO key when a Title is highlighted in the Delete Music Select Guide to select/deselect all tracks.

#### To Edit Tracks

This option allows you to modify the track name for the currently highlighted title.

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- 2 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the title which contains the tracks you want to edit.
- **3** Press the OPTION key.
- 4 At the OPTION panel, SELECT the **edit tracks** button. The EDIT TRACKS screen displays.
- **5** Use the UP and DOWN ARROW keys to highlight the desired track.
- Enter a new track title/name and press the ENTER key to save the current track name and advance to the next track. You can press the PLAY key to clear the current track name.
- Press the RECORD key to accept the changes.



#### To Edit Disc Information

This option allows you to edit the music collection's information such as artist name, title, label name, and year of release. Or, you can have FireBall look up the latest information from Escient's OpenGlobe service.

Edit Disc is also the method to identify the current disc and download it's cover art.

- Press the MUSIC key on your remote or keyboard.
- **2** Press the GUIDE key. The MUSIC GUIDE screen appears.
- **3** Use the ARROW keys to highlight the disc you want to edit.
- **4** Press the OPTION key.
- At the OPTION panel, SELECT the **edit disc** button. The EDIT DISC INFO screen displays.
- **6** Use the ARROW keys to move to the text field of your choice and edit the field.
- Or, SELECT the **lookup this disc** button to replace the current disc information. To save the new data, press the RECORD key.



#### To Search For Cover Art

This option allows you to view the current cover art and select an option to look up the cover.

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- 2 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the disc you want to obtain the cover for.
- **3** Press the OPTION key.
- 4 At the OPTION panel, SELECT the **edit disc** button. The EDIT DISC INFO screen displays.
- Use the ARROW keys to move to the **search for cover** button and press SELECT.
- **6** A "search for cover" confirmation dialog box appears. You may change the Artist Name and Title for the search. The change is not saved with the disc.
- Press SEARCH to continue. If a new cover is not found, then the current cover remains. If a new cover is found, the resulting cover selection is displayed in the screen..
- **8** Press the RECORD key to save the new cover with the title.





The Search for Cover dialog allows you to search for covers using an alternate Artist Name and/or Title without changing the titles's actual information.

Try removing any dates, disc numbers, and common words from the Search for Cover title field.

#### To Select Cover Art

This option allows you to select a cover for a music title.

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- **2** Press the GUIDE key. The MUSIC GUIDE screen appears.
- **3** Use the ARROW keys to highlight the disc you want to select a cover for.
- **4** Press the OPTION key.
- At the OPTION panel, SELECT the **edit disc** button. The EDIT DISC INFO screen displays.
- **6** Use the ARROW keys to move to the **select cover** button and press SELECT. The SELECT COVER ART screen is shown and allows you to choose a new cover.
- Use the UP and DOWN ARROW keys to highlight an image and use the SELECT key to save the selected cover.





Only covers which are already loaded on your FireBall will be available.

# To Access "More..." Music Options

There are two screens of MUSIC OPTIONS. The first screen appears when you press the MUSIC key followed by the OPTION key.



The second screen becomes available after SELECTING the "**more**..." button in the original MUSIC OPTIONS screen.





"Button" refers to a graphic item on the display screen.

"**Key**" refers to the pushdown mechanisms on your remote or keyboard.



Use the ARROW keys to highlight the desired option and use the SELECT key to activate the desired option.

# To Create a New Music Group

A group is a collection of content that classifies your music titles to make them easier to find. Genre groups such as Jazz, and Country are automatically generated depending upon the current music in your collection. The groups you create can be named whatever you want (i.e., My Favorites, Party Mix, Classics, etc...).

- Press the MUSIC key, and then press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **new group** button. A screen displays so that you can enter the name for the new group.
- **3** After you have entered the new name, press SELECT to continue.
- When the group name is saved, the screen transitions to the EDIT MUSIC GROUP screen where you will select titles to be included in the new group. Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the titles. A check mark indicates when a title is to be included in the group. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including or not including a title.
- **6** Press the RECORD key to save the new group and exit the OPTION mode.



Music can reside in more than one group. For example, the same music could exist in the groups: All, Rock, Favorites, and Mine.



# To Edit a Music Group

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- Use the RIGHT and LEFT ARROW keys to highlight the group you want to edit.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **edit group** button. The EDIT GROUP screen displays which allows you to edit the name of the group. You do not have to edit the name of the group in order to modify the members of the group.
- Press the SELECT key to continue so that you can modify the titles in the group when the EDIT MUSIC GROUP screen displays.
- Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the titles. A check mark indicates when a title is to be included in the group. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including or not including a title.
- Press the RECORD key to save this group and return to the Guide.



# To Delete a Music Group

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- Use the RIGHT and LEFT ARROW keys to highlight the group you want to delete.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- 4 At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **delete group** button to remove the currently active group. The DELETE GROUP screen displays and shows the contents of the group.
- Press the RECORD key to delete the group. A dialog message displays asking for confirmation before the group is deleted.



#### To Erase CD-RW

- Place the CD-RW you want to erase into FireBall's front panel CD drive.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **erase cd-rw** button to erase the CD in the FireBall front panel CD drive.
- Press the RECORD key to erase the CD-RW. A confirmation message will be displayed before the disc is erased. Select the **erase** button to erase the selected disc.

Note: An error message will be displayed if there is no disc in the drive or if there is a blank disc in the drive.



#### To Transfer Music to a Portable MP3 Player

This option manages the transfer of CD tracks or compressed audio tracks (MP3) from your FireBall to a portable music player. You can also remove contents of the Portable with this process.

- Press the MUSIC key to show the Music Guide.
- **2** Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **transfer to portable** button to display the Transfer to Portable Music Guide.
- Use the UP and DOWN ARROW keys to highlight tracks in your music guide and press the SELECT key to mark it for transfer to the Portable. Tracks selected for transfer will have a green "transfer" arrow on the right most edge of the track. Press the SELECT key again to remove the transfer indicator. Use the SELECT key to display or hide the tracks of the highlighted Title.



This option is started automatically when a supported USB portable is attached



FireBall supports the following Portable Players:

- COMPAQ PA1
- COMPAQ PA2
- RIO 600

Other models of portable players may be added in future software upgrades. When they are, this information will be added to the Escient website at www.escient.com under products/ FireBall.

- The contents of the Portable Player are accessible through the Portable Player Title at the top of the list. To remove an existing track from the Portable Player, highlight the track and press the SELECT key. An "X" on the right side of the track name indicates that the track will be removed.
- Press the RECORD key to start the transfer process. All tracks marked for removal will be deleted from the Portable and all selected tracks will be transferred. If you have selected more tracks than will fit on your Portable Player, you will be instructed to remove tracks (un-select them) before you can continue with the transfer
- The Transfer to Portable status screen will appear displaying the estimated transfer time and the time remaining until the transfer is complete.



No other functions can be accessed until the transfer process is completed.



The "space available" is calculated as a single block for one or more storage modules in a portable device. Portable devices with multiple memory modules will appear as a contiguous storage area.

#### WARNING.

Memory fragmentation on some portable players may cause problems when transferring music. If you are experiencing problems, try reducing the number of tracks to transfer and try again.

#### To Get Music Info

This option is only used to identify unknown titles or titles that never completed their original lookup process. Normally, new titles are identified automatically when they are inserted in the front panel disc or any external changer. When this option is chosen, an information screen displays the number of changers attached, number of discs in your collection, free music slots, and unknown discs. If you press SELECT to continue the Get Music Information operation, FireBall will automatically connect to the Internet, lookup each unknown disc, and then disconnect. You may terminate the connection manually at any time by pressing the STOP key.

- Press the MUSIC key.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **more...** button and press the SELECT key.
- At the MORE MUSIC OPTIONS panel, SELECT the **get music info** button. An information screen displays.
- If you press the SELECT key to continue, a connection dialog message displays showing the progress of the update from Escient's OpenGlobe server. As each disc is recognized, the tracking screen displays the current cover art and title. When the process is complete, the Music Guide screen is displayed.





Get Music Info will only identify titles which were recorded from the internal CD drive or from an external changer. It will not identify tracks transfered from MP3 CDs or from the Pipeline software.

# **Chapter 7 - Using iRadio**

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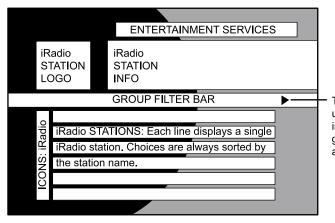


# **Entering iRadio Mode**

Select the iRADIO key. FireBall displays the Radio Guide view so that you can navigate and select an Internet Radio station to play.

#### **Guide Screen Overview**

Guides contain listings of content that can be selected for listening and assist you in finding and organizing your Internet radio stations.



The Group Filter Bar displays up to 5 iRadio Groups including **ALL**. If more than 5 groups exist an arrow appears after the last item





# **Navigating Among iRadio Stations**

Use the UP and DOWN ARROW keys to move from one station to another. Use the RIGHT and LEFT ARROW keys to move between the groups in the Filter bar.

To change the stations in the guide one page at a time, use the PAGE UP and PAGE DOWN keys.

# Playing an iRadio Station

To play a specific station, press SELECT (or PLAY) when that station is highlighted. The iRadio Player screen is displayed.

In the Player screen, to advance to the next or previous station without returning to the Radio Guide, use the PAGE UP and PAGE DOWN keys. The STOP key will stop the Internet Radio stream from playing. Pause will NOT pause the stream.

#### Sirius Internet Radio Stations

Sirius Internet Radio Stations are only available to Broadband Internet users. If you are using Dial-Up Internet access, the Sirius Internet Radio Stations will NOT appear in your Radio Guide



To maximize the enjoyment of this feature, a Broadband connection is recommended to avoid the "buffering and popping" experience associated with a slower connection. However, even a Broadband connection has factors (such as the number of users on the system or server capability) that may adversely affect your listening experience.



# **Changing iRadio Options**

Press the OPTION key while in iRadio mode for the iRadio OPTIONS menu to appear.

This screen allows you to organize and access content based on stations and groups.

iRadio options are organized much like music options. In other words, after you select a specific option, sometimes a second or third screen is provided to refine your request.

The term GROUPS on the iRadio option screen refers to a collection of stations that are organized together so that you can easily find your favorite stations. Some groups are created automatically while others are created by you. The ALL groups contains all of the Internet Radio stations. Genre based groups are automatically setup for new stations as they are updated by Escient.



#### To Create a New iRadio Group

A group is a collection of content that classifies your stations to make them easier to find. Genre groups such as Jazz, and Country are automatically generated depending upon the current iRadio stations in your collection. The groups you create can be named whatever you want (i.e., My Favorites, Stuff, Talk).

- Press the iRADIO key on your remote or keyboard, and then press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **new group** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- A screen displays so that you can enter the name for the new group.
- **3** After you have entered the new name, press SELECT to continue.
- When the group name is saved, the screen transitions to the EDIT RADIO GROUP screen where you will select stations to be included in the new group. Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the stations. A check mark indicates when a station is to be included in the group. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including or not including a station.
- **6** Press the RECORD key to save the new group and exit the OPTION mode.





#### To Edit an iRadio Group

- Press the iRADIO key to show the Radio Guide.
- 2 Use the RIGHT and LEFT ARROW keys to highlight the group you want to edit.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **edit group** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- The EDIT GROUP screen displays which allows you to edit the name of the group. You do not have to edit the name of the group in order to modify the members of the group.
- Press the SELECT key to continue so that you can modify the stations in the group when the EDIT RADIO GROUP screen displays.
- 6 Cursor UP and DOWN to highlight the stations. A check mark indicates when a station is to be included in the group. Use the SELECT key to toggle between including or not including a station.
- Press the RECORD key to save this group and return to the Guide.





# To Delete an iRadio Group

- Press the iRADIO key to show the Radio Guide.
- Use the RIGHT and LEFT ARROW keys to highlight the group you want to delete.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **delete group** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- The DELETE GROUP screen displays and shows the stations in the selected group.
- A dialog message displays asking for confirmation before the group is deleted. Press the RECORD key to delete the group.





**delete group** does not remove any of the underlying stations which remain available in the "ALL" group.

#### To Tune Stations

Tune Stations is used to clear your current set of Internet Radio Stations and replace them with a new set of stations from the Escient server. Internet Radio stations come and go all the time. Escient keeps track of which ones are still available and makes it easy for your FireBall to have the latest working Internet Radio Stations.

- Press the iRADIO key to show the Radio Guide.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **tune stations** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- A WARNING screen appears to warn that tuning the stations will replace all of the built-in Internet Radio stations. Select the OK button to continue.
- FireBall will now connect to the Escient server to download the latest Internet Radio stations. A dialog will display the current progress of the download.
- When Tune Stations is complete, the Radio Guide will be displayed showing the new set of Internet Radio stations.





#### WARNING

Tune Stations will replace all of the built-in stations with the latest stations from the Escient server.

#### To Create a New iRadio Station

An iRadio station is an Internet link or "URL" to a radio stream. Creating a new iRadio station means manually entering a link to a known Internet Radio Stream. FireBall can stream WMA V2, V7, and V8 formats, up to 192kbps.

- Press the iRADIO key on your remote or keyboard, and then press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **new station** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- A screen displays so that you can enter the name, location, URL, speed, genre, and channels. (The cover art is selected based on the genre.) Enter the radio station stream's internet address into the URL field. For example: "http://www.streamaudio.com/stations/WXYZ.asf"
- **3** After you have entered the new information, press RECORD to save the new station and return to the Radio Guide.
- To play the new station, highlight the station name in the Radio Guide, then press the PLAY key. If the URL is correct and the sever is up and running, you should hear the station playing in a few moments. If there is a problem with the stream, you will see the "Station Not Available" message.





If you are entering a URL for a new station, make sure it uses a WMA Internet radio stream.

New stations can be foud on Internet sites such as www.radio-locator.com

#### To Edit an iRadio Station

- Press the iRADIO key to show the Radio Guide.
- 2 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the station you want to edit.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **edit station** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- The EDIT INTERNET STATION screen displays which allows you to edit the information for the station.
- **6** Press the RECORD key to save this station and return to the Guide.



#### To Delete an iRadio Station

- Press the iRADIO key to show the Radio Guide.
- 2 Use the ARROW keys to highlight the station you want to delete.
- Press the OPTION key. Use the ARROW keys to highlight the **delete station** button on the displayed panel and press the SELECT key.
- The DELETE RADIO STATION screen displays and shows the station's name.
- **5** Press the RECORD key to delete the station.
- A dialog message displays asking for confirmation before the station is deleted. Highlight the delete button and press the SELECT key to delete the station.



# **Supported iRadio Bitrates**

FireBall supports the following iRadio bitrates and sampling frequencies:

WMA-Audio V2, V7 and V8		
	Sampling	Stereo/
Bitrate	Frequency	Mono
5Kbps	8KHz	Mono
6Kbps	8KHz	Mono
	8KHz	Mono
8Kbps	11.025KHz	Mono
	11.025KHz	Mono
10Kbps	16KHz	Mono
	16KHz	Mono
12Kbps	8KHz	Stereo
		Mono
	16KHz	Stereo
16Kbps	22.05KHz	Mono

	16KHz	Stereo
		Mono
	22.05KHz	Stereo
20Kbps	32KHz	Mono
	22.05KHz	Stereo
22Kbps	32KHz	Stereo
	22.05KHz	Stereo
	32KHz	Stereo
		Mono
32Kbps	44.1KHz	Stereo
36kbps	32KHz	Stereo
40Kbps	32KHz	Stereo
44kbps	32 Khz	Stereo
	32KHz	Stereo
		Mono
48Kbps	44.1KHz	Stereo

	32 Khz	Stereo
64Kbps	44.1KHz	Stereo
80Kbps	44.1KHz	Stereo
96Kbps	44.1KHz	Stereo
	44.1KHz	Stereo
128Kbps	48KHz	Stereo
	44.1KHz	Stereo
160Kbps	48KHz	Stereo
	44.1KHz	Stereo
192Kbps	48KHz	Stereo

# **Chapter 8 - Customizing FireBall**

Two Ways to Customize FireBall
To Change User Information
To Change Internet Configuration Settings
To Change Preferences
To Access Changer Management Features
To Change Security Settings
To Access FireBall Utilities



# Two Ways to Customize FireBall

There are two methods of customizing FireBall: through the OPTIONS menu or through the SETUP Menu. The OPTIONS menu is used to customize features which need frequent changing during the normal operation of the system, while the SETUP menu provides access to general user preferences.

#### Use the OPTIONS menu for:

- Organizing access to content managing groups, managing play lists, editing music information, deleting music, looking up music information, and transferring or recording music to portable players.
- Adjusting player controls play modes (random, repeat, etc.)

#### Use the SETUP Menu to change:

- user information
- internet configuration
- preferences
- audio, video, and com ports
- changer management
- security
- utilities

These menus will be covered in this chapter.





The OPTIONS menu is discussed in Chapter 6: Managing Music.



# To Change User Information

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item **user information**. The menu displays.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**user registration** - Allows you to input your name, address, phone number to identify you as the user.

**time zone** - Enter your ZIP code here. Setting your ZIP code allows the automatic update time to be properly configured for non-peak times.

**user profile** - If you want to receive information or services from OpenGlobe that caters to your particular age group or gender, you can fill in this menu.

**additional product information** - This item allows you to select whether or not you want to be informed regarding additional valuable services or support.





**remote administration** - Shows the User Name and Password used to access the OpenGlobe services website from your PC. You can use this website to edit your OpenGlobe account information from your personal computer.

**privacy policy** - Displays all of the legal disclaimers and warranty information for this product.

**back** - When you select this item, the screen goes back to the previous screen displayed.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.



# **To Change Internet Configuration Settings**

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The FireBall SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item internet configuration. The menu displays.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**network connections** - Specifies the Primary and Secondary TCP/IP Settings. The Primary connection is used for all Internet and OpenGlobe enhanced services such as disc lookups, purchasing, internet radio, etc., and the Secondary connection is used for connecting the FireBall to other FireBalls, and to use the Pipeline PC software. The Secondary connection may be different from the Primary connection. Note: FireBall E will show "Ethernet TCP/IP Settings" only.

dial-up settings - This item is originally configured in Quick Start but you can manually change it here for dial-up access PPP accounts. The password appears as visible text when the field is empty AND you enter the password. Once you leave the password field, the password field changes to hidden text. Subsequent returns to this screen will show the password as hidden text. Specific dialing options for your location can also be set here such as Dial-up Numbers and Dialing Prefix.







If you backspace at any point while in the password box, the entire password is erased.

**primary tcp/ip settings (FireBall)** - TCP/IP can be configured Dynamically or Manually. Dial-up connections on FireBall only support dynamic IP configurations.

secondary tcp/ip settings (FireBall) - Secondary TCP/IP can be configured Dynamically or Manually. Use the NETWORK CONNECTIONS screen to enable a Secondary network connection". If your Primary and Secondary Network Connections are the same, changing the tcp/ip settings will effect both the Primary and Secondary network connections. The secondary settings are useful for accessing FireBall on an HPNA network (from your PC using the Escient Pipeline software) while your FireBall uses the dialup modem for it's Internet connection.

**ethernet tcp/ip settings (FireBall E)** - Ethernet TCP/IP can be configured Dynamically or Manually. Please consult with your network administrator or ISP to obtain the correct values for these settings.

**FireBall name** - If you have a network, this will be the name of the FireBall viewed from another FireBall or the Pipeline software.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any submenu.





Dial-up connections only support dynamic IP configurations.

# **To Change Preferences**

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- **2** Select the menu item **preferences**. The menu displays.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**music recording preferences** - Specifies at what Bitrate you want to encode MP3 music. The default is 192k. Selections range from 128k, 160k, 192k, 320k or uncompressed.

**screen saver preferences** - Specifies the number of minutes of inactivity allowed before the screen saver is activated and the screen saver mode. The default setting is 10 minutes. Selections you may choose from are 5, 10, 15, 30, or 60 minutes.

**automatic update preferences** - Once a week FireBall automatically dials into the network server and downloads any software or database information that has been updated.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.





#### To Change Audio, Video, and Com Ports Settings

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item audio, video, and com ports. The menu displays.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**audio input selection** - Specifies which digital audio inputs are used for your CD changers. Both optical and coaxial digital inputs are provided.

**com port settings -** During the Quick Start setup, changers and touchscreens attached to the communication ports were automatically detected. If you attach additional equipment use this screen to indicate which of the 3 com ports are used by an optional touch panel, external control system, or Elan system.

**calibrate touch panel** - Allows an attached ETP-1000 touch screen display device to be calibrated.

**screen centering** - Adjusts the horizontal placement of the FireBall screen so that the generated computer image is centered horizontally on your TV.







The LEFT, and RIGHT ARROW keys on the remote or keyboard are used to position the screen horizontaly.

brightness - Use the brightness controls of your TV for optimum viewing.

**contrast** - Use your display's contrast controls to help reduce video "blooming" while creating a clearer, more readable interface.

**sharpness** - Sets the sharpness or detail control of your TV so that onscreen text is as readable as possible.

**color bars** - Displays the SMPTE color bars. You may use this screen to test the display for color and tint accuracy.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.



# **To Access Changer Management Features**

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item changer management.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**quick lookup** - Checks each previously empty slot in the changer(s) to see if any new discs were added and then checks each previously occupied slot to see if any discs were removed. If new discs were added, they will be looked up and added to the Music Guide. If discs have been removed, these discs will no longer appear in the Music Guide.

**lookup range** - Prompts you to enter a range of disc from 1-400 and select one of the attached changers and then does a lookup on each within the range.

lookup all - Looks up every disc in each changer.

**changer statistics** - This item displays the statistics of the changer based media.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.



To cancel any of the "Lookup" items while in progress, press the STOP button.





# **To Change Security Settings**

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item **security**. The menu displays.
- Select the sub-menu item you want to modify and follow the instructions on the screen.

**password protection** - Allows you to password protect access to the Setup functions. Subsequent access to setup will be password protected.

If you specify a password, you will be prompted upon power ON to enter the password. If the password entered matches the stored password, full access is granted until the next power OFF cycle. If the password does not match, you will be asked 2 more times to enter the correct password. If after the third try the password still does not match, you will not be able to use FireBall.





If you do not specify a system password, unrestricted access to the Setup Menus will be enabled. If security access is in place, a password will be required to access the Setup Menus the first time you press the SETUP key, after each Power On.

You are given the option of enabling password protection by entering a password and then verifying it. If you leave these fields blank, password protection will be disabled. Select a numeric only password and enter it twice for verification purposes. You can use the remote control or keyboard.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.



### To Access FireBall Utilities

- Press the SETUP key on the remote control or keyboard. The SETUP main menu displays.
- Select the menu item **utilities**. The menu displays. (No other use of the system is permitted while one of the utility processes is running.)
- Select the menu item you want to access and follow the instructions on the screen.

**system reset** - performs a soft reset of the FireBall. (This is the same as holding the front panel power button in for 4 seconds to reboot)

**configuration information** - Displays the current FireBall internal settings including software versions, hardware versions, serial number, customer ID, and network settings.

**update software** - This feature initiates a manual connection to Escient's OpenGlobe server to check for any software updates that are currently available. A confirmation dialog will ask if you really want to continue and look for an update because it may take some time. If an update is found the system will begin the software update process. A progress status bar appears so that you can estimate download time





**disconnect offline FireBalls (FireBall)** - This option is used to remove the Music Titles which where loaded from other networked FireBall units. After you perform this option, the Music Guide will be free from any Music Titles which were loaded from the other FireBalls.

**resynchronize all FireBalls (FireBall)** - If you have other networked FireBalls, this option removes all of the remote FireBall's Music Titles from your Music Guide, then re-adds a new fresh set of Title from the remote FireBall(s).

**IR remote control** - allows you to control FireBall-MP using the FB, TB, or PP modes on the remote control. This is useful if you have more than one FireBall in the same room, so that all FireBalls do not respond to the same IR codes.

Exit SETUP by selecting the EXIT menu item located at the bottom of the main menu, or by pressing the SETUP key when on the main menu or any sub-menu.



While using any of the SETUP UTILITIES, no other use of the system will be permitted.

### **Chapter 9 - Touch Screen Overview**

Escient ETP Touch Screen Interaction Elan VIA! Touch Panel Configuration



### **Escient ETP Touch Screen Interaction**

This section describes how FireBall can be controlled from the optional ETP Touch Screen. Contact your Escient Dealer for more information on the ETP Touch Screen.

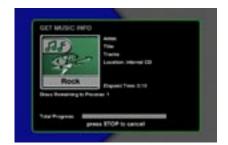
When you initially setup FireBall, you will need to use the remote or wireless keyboard to navigate through the automatic setup program called Quick Start. Once you have gone through this setup, you will be able to calibrate FireBall and use the Touch Screen. (See the side note on this page for calibration info.)

There are a couple of differences between the guides and player screens that appear when using the touch screen device.

The Guide screen looks like this when no touch screen is in use.

The Player screen looks like this when no touch screen is in use.



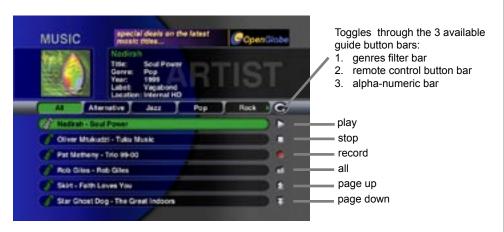




If the touch screen does not seem to be centered or is otherwise not working, please use the remote or keyboard and press the SETUP key to go to the SETUP menu,choose audio video and com ports, calibrate touch panel.

Use the arrow keys to select the option "calibrate touch panel" and follow the instructions on the screen

When an Escient touch screen is detected and powered on or the SETUP option for an external control system's XY coordinates is set, the touch screen buttons will appear on the Guide screen and the Player screen.



On the Guide screen a row of buttons appears on the right of the music content to let you play, stop, or record your music. Respectively, the stop, record, and all buttons will come in handy for canceling tasks, completing tasks, and toggling all tracks to be included or excluded. The page up and page down buttons allow you to scroll the guide one page at a time.



The default bar is the genres filter bar. The genres automatically scroll to the left and right when the leftmost or rightmost genre is selected if there are more genres to view.

Pressing the toggle button again will change the view from the alpha-numeric bar to the remote control button bar.



The remote control bar includes:

- Pause, Skip forward, and Skip backward transport controls
- Player Show the Player screen
- Source Toggle between Radio and Music source modes
- View Changes the Music Guide View
- Options Displays the Options Menu
- Favorites Plays the Default Favorites Playlist
- Random Plays the current Group in Random Play Mode

Pressing the toggle button once will change the view from the styles bar to the alphanumeric bar. This bar lets you enter a letter or number to jump down to the music selection that begins with that letter. Pressing a letter will display the pressed letter in the on screen display area located between the two smoked glass windows at the top of the guide.



alpha-numeric bar



**Escient Touch Panel** 

Selecting music to play or selecting the player button on the remote control button bar will present the Player screen. The Player screen appears with a toggle button when a touch screen is in use. The transport button bar is displayed when the toggle button is pressed again.







**Escient Touch Panel** 

The remote control button bar is displayed when the toggle button is pressed again.



The Remote Control Button Bar includes:

- Guide Show the Guide screen
- OpenGlobe Go to the OpenGlobe Home screen
- Page Up/Down scroll the Track list a page at a time
- Info Display the Info screen
- Options Display the Options menu screen
- Mode Cycle through the Play Modes
- Add Add the currently highlighted track to the Favorites Playlist
- Setup Display the Setup menu



**Escient Touch Panel** 

### **Elan VIA! Touch Panel Configuration**

Using FireBall with the Elan VIA! system is quite easy. You can use Elan System Controllers or direct VIA! touch panel connections. FireBall uses a special screen overlay to provide VIA! touch panels with the required control points. You will need to have the latest VIA! Tools. Please contact Elan for more information.

### Connect FireBall to the Elan VIA! Touch Screen

- 1) Route the IR output of the VIA panels to either the direct IR port of the FireBall (recommended) or use an emitter on the front of the FireBall (IR receiver is located on the right hand edge of the display window.
- 2) Connect the video out of FireBall to the VIA panel.
- 3) Using new version of VIA tools, select custom overlay template, and choose FireBall as a component in the VIA panel

### Configuring FireBall for Elan VIA! control

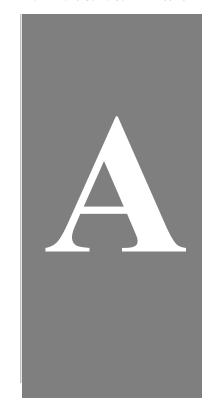
- 1) Press SETUP->AUDIO VIDEO AND COM PORTS-> COM PORT SETTINGS.
- 2) Navigate to the IR FRAME button and press the SELECT key until the button is set to ENABLE
- 3) Navigate to the SAVE button and press the SELECT key.
- 4) Press SETUP to exit the setup menus. The Elan VIA! IR frame should now be visible on all video outs. Make sure the FireBall video is being routed to the VIA panels.



Music Guide Screen with Elan VIA! IR Frame Overlay

# Appendix A - Cable Pin-Out Configurations

Pin Configurations for RS-232 Cables to CD Changers
Pin configurations for RS-232 Cables to Control Systems



### Pin Configurations for RS-232 Cables to CD Changers

### FireBall to Kenwood Changer

FireBal	II	Change	Changer		
(DB9-F	<sup>-</sup> emale)	(DB9-Female)			
Pin	Function	Pin	Function		
2	RD	3	TD		
3	TD	2	RD		
5	GND	5	GND		
Standa	rd RS-232 Nulled Cable.				

### FireBall to Pioneer Changer

FIREBall		Changer		
(DB9-F	emale)	(DB15-Male)		
Pin	Function	Pin	Function	
5	GND	1	GND	
2	RD	2	TD	
3	TD	3	RD	



RS-232 cable between FireBall and CD Player must be 25 feet or less.



With future releases of FireBall software, additional CD changers and controllers may be supported.

Please check the Escient website for the latest updates regarding RS-232 cable configurations.

### Pin Configurations for RS-232 Cables to Control Systems

### FireBall to AMX / Crestron / PHAST

FireBall		AMX/Crestron/PHAST	
(DB9-F	emale)	(DB9-Fe	male)
Pin	Function	Pin	Function
2	RD	3	TD
3	TD	2	RD
5	GND	5	GND



RS-232 cable between FireBall and Control System must be 25 feet or less.

## Appendix B - FireBall Technical Specs

Video
CD Functionality
Audio Specifications
Encoding Performance
Power Usage and Power Supply
3rd Party Certifications
Telephone Regulations
FCC Part 15, Subpart B



### Video

- · NTSC
- · 10 bit Video DACs
- · Frequency Response:

Composite: -2 dB @ 5MHz
 S-Video: -2 dB @ 5MHz

SNR: 50 dB
Crosstalk: 50 dB
Input Impedance: 750hm
Output Impedance: 750hm

### **CD Drive Functionality**

CD-ROM read speed: 40x CD-R Write speed: 24x CD-RW Write speed: 10x

### **Cabinet Specifications**

Width: ~ 17 3/8"

Height:  $\sim 45/8$ " w/ feet;  $\sim 4$ ' w/o feet Depth:  $\sim 117/8$ "; Installed 143/8"



### **Audio Specifications**

- · Frequency Response: 2 20,000 Hz, ±1 dB
- THD+N (playback)  $\leq$  -80 dB FS A ( $\leq$  0.01%)
- $\cdot$  THD+N (record) < -90 dB FS A (<0.0032)
- · A D-DSP-D-A Dynamic Range: > 96 dB FS A @ 1kHz
- · Channel Separation: >95 dB
- · Full Scale Line Output: >2 Vrms, 50 k ohms
- · Full Scale Line Input: >2.5Vrms
- S/PDIF Output: 0.4Vpp to 0.6Vpp, <0.05Vdc (75ohm terminated)
- Power Requirements: AC 90-132 VAC, 50-60 Hz
- · Power Consumption: < 60 watts

### **Encoding Specifications**

Bit Rate	40GB Hard Drive	120GB Hard Drive
128k MP3	600 hours	1800 hours
160k MP3	500 hours	1600 hours
192k MP3	400 hours	1200 hours
320k MP3	250 hours	750 hours
Uncompressed WAV	60 hours	180 hours

Hours are approximate, as some drive space is needed for application and overhead.



### **Power Usage and Power Supply**

- · Open frame 60 Watt Supply
- · Support for holding Power button for 4 seconds to force reset
- · Full Power Off may be accomplished by removing the power cord from the wall power outlet
- · Discrete Suspend (Sleep) and Resume (Wake up) commands
- · Automatic Restore in the event of Power Loss
- · UL/CUL recognized power supply

### **3rd Party Certifications**

FCC: US Part 15, Class B

NTSC Video Output: NTSC RS-170A

cETL Listing

Part 68

Conforms to: UL STD 6500-2000

Certified to: CAN/CSA STD E60065-00



### **Telephone Regulations**

- (1) This equipment complies with Part 68 of the FCC Rules and it's requirements adopted by the ACTA. On the backpanel of this equipment is a label that contains, among other information, the FCC registration number and Ringer Equivalence Number (REN) for this equipment. If requested, provide this information to your telephone company.
- (2) The registration jack USOC for the equipment is (RJ11C).
- (3) An FCC compliant telephone cord and modular plug is provided with this equipment. This equipment is designed to be connected to the telephone network or premises wiring using a compatible modular jack that must comply with the applicable FCC Part 68 rules and requirements adopted by the ACTA. See installation instructions for details.
- (4) The REN is useful to determine the quantity of devices that may be connected to the telephone line. Excessive RENs on the telephone line may result in the devices not ringing in response to an incoming call. In most, but not all areas, the sum of RENs of all devices should not exceed five (5). To be certain of the number of devices that may be connected to a line, as determined by the total RENs, contact the local telephone company. For products approved after July 23, 2002, the REN for this product is part of the product identifier that has the format US: AAAEQ##TXXXX. The digits represented by ## are the REN without a decimal point (e.g., 03 is a REN of 0.3). For earlier products, the REN is separately shown on the label.
- (5) If your equipment causes harm to the telephone network, the telephone company will notify you in advance that temporary discontinuance of service may be required. But if advance notice isn't practical, you will be notified as soon as possible. You will be advised of your right to file a complaint with the FCC if you believe it is necessary.
- (6) Your telephone company may make changes in its facilities, equipment, operations, or procedures that could affect the operation of your equipment. If they do, you will be given advance notice so as to give you an opportunity to maintain uninterrupted service.
- (7) If you experience trouble with this equipment, please contact ( **Escient Technical Support** @ 800.372.4368) for repair/warranty information. If your equipment is causing harm to the telephone network, the telephone company may request that you disconnect the equipment until the problem is resolved.
- (8) This equipment may not be used on public coin service provided by the telephone company. Connection to party lines is subject to state tariffs. (Contact your state public utility commission or corporation commission for information.)
- (9) There are no customer serviceable repairs that can be made.



### FCC Part 15, Subpart B

### Class B

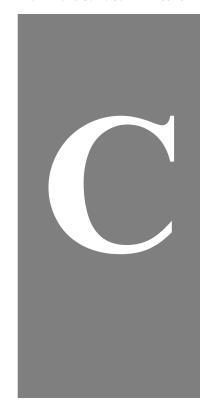
Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- · Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio TV technician for help.
- Shielded cables must be used with this unit to ensure compliance with the Class B FCC limits.



### Appendix C - Minor Troubleshooting

**Minor Troubleshooting Tips** 



### **Minor Troubleshooting Tips**

Following are some easily resolved problems you may encounter during the installation of your FireBall unit. If you are experiencing difficulties that do not appear in the following list, please contact your dealer, check the Escient Website, or contact Escient tech support.

### No Power

FireBall may be plugged into an unswitched AC power receptacle.

### Power: but no video

Make sure FireBall is connected to the video source (television) before you power on FireBall. Make sure that the LED next to the Power button is not blinking. Following is the Power ON/Standby sequence.

After the FireBall unit is plugged in, the Standby LED located next to the power button will flash until the startup process is complete. **This may take a few minutes**.

When the Standby LED is solid ON, the FireBall is now in a standby or "sleep" mode.

Press the Power button (on the front panel or on the remote) once and the video output and front panel display will turn on. The unit is now ON.

To change from the ON mode back to the standby or "sleep" mode, press the Power button on the front panel or on the remote once.



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### Cannot connect to Internet using the dial-up modem

- Verify that an active phone line is connected to the line jack on the modem.
- Clear voice mail on your phone before attempting to connect, a solid dial tone is needed.
- Check to see if the phone system requires a prefix such as a #9. If it does, go to the DIAL-UP SETTINGS screen to add a prefix.
- Verify that your login name and password are correct.
- Passwords are CASE SENSITIVE. "password", "Password", and "PASSWORD" are all treated as different words.

Note: Earthlink accounts may require "ELN/" before the login name. For example: "ELN/johndoe@earthlink.net". Similarly MSN accounts may require "MSN/" before the login name. For example: "MSN/johndoe@msn.net".

### Discs are identified, but do not have covers

- The internet server FireBall uses for cover searches may be temporarily down.
- The covers may not be available for your particular discs.
- Use the Edit Disc -> Search For Cover option to try and obtain cover art.

### Remote LED does not blink when you press a key.

Replace the batteries with two (2) new AA alkaline batteries.



### Remote LED blinks when you press a key, but home entertainment component does not respond

- Make sure the Remote is aimed at your home entertainment component and is not farther than 15 feet away.
- Check that the correct mode is selected (Press FB for FireBall.)
- Replace the batteries in the remote control with two (2) new AA alkaline batteries.

### Remote does not control home entertainment components or commands are not working properly

Try all listed codes for the component brands being set up. Make sure they can be operated with an infrared remote control.



### Appendix D External Control Protocol

External Control Overview
Command / Response Overview
Unsolicited Status Events
Remote/Keyboard Commands
Database Commands
Status Commands
Control Commands



### **External Control Overview**

This appendix describes the external control protocol commands and responses which allow an external control system to navigate the Escient products, get library information to build custom user interfaces, perform transport controls, and receive unsolicited feedback on system status.

This information is intended for experienced custom installers and software developers. Please refer to the Escient Dealer Support are on the Escient website for further information about external control of FireBall.



### **Commands and Responses Overview**

The external control protocol is standard ASCII based. ESCX is the four letter preamble that is used for all commands. This preamble must be uppercase. The commands provided in this protocol allow an external control system to navigate the Escient products, get library information to build custom user interfaces, perform transport controls, and receive unsolicited feedback on system status.

All external control commands are made up of the preamble (ESCX), command group (01,02,10,20,50,70), sub command (specific task), specific data (# of data items, and a size of data packet then the actual data packet repeated for the # of data items), and a carriage return end marker

### **External Control Command Structure**

DESCRIPTION	PREAMBLE	COMMAND GROUP	SUB COM- MAND	# DATA ITEMS	DATA ITEM #1 SIZE	DATA #1	DATA ITEM #2 SIZE	DATA #2	END MARKER
Bytes	4	2	2	3	4	5	4	3	1
Example	ESCX	01	08	002	0005	Hello	0003	Bye	Carriage Return

The external control commands are broken down into the following Command Groups:

- 01 Command Responses
- 02 Unsolicited Events
- 10 Remote Button / Keyboard Commands
- 20 Database Commands
- 50 Status Commands
- 70 Control Commands

All commands will cause one of the following response numbers to be issued. Some commands, such as database commands will also send back additional responses that contain more detailed information.

### **Command Responses**

COMMAND GROUP	RESPONSE NUMBER	RESPONSE DESCRIPTION
01	01	l OK
<u> </u>	1 02	Bad Command Structure
L 01	l 03	I Empty Library or Bad Range
L 01	l 04	Wrong Number of Command Arguments
01	05	I Invalid Subcommand
L 01	1 06	Invalid Command
01	1 07	Not Available During Standby (deprecated)
01	1 08	Reguested data not available
01	1 09	External control command not vet implemented (future)
01	l 10	Not Available at This Time

Response Format: ESCX01xx, where xx = Command response

Response 07 has been deprecated due to the new auto-on function. Whenever a valid command is received (with two exceptions), the system will automatically enter the "on" mode, if it is in standby. A client may still handle response 07, but it is no longer sent from the host for any reason.

Response 10 will be sent when a normally valid command is sent to the host, but it cannot be processed due to the system's mode. For example, a database play will not be processed while the system is in setup or options mode, autobuilding a changer, etc. Note that a keypress command will never return this response, as even audio transport keys (play, stop) have alternate functions in various modes.

Unsolicited status events can be sent to report the state changes of the Escient products. There are two currently defined message levels: 5 - track changes, and 10 - all (including 1-second playing time updates). Clients are registered at level 5 by default. Clients may change their message level using the ESCX7002 command. See the control commands section for instructions on how to resister and unregister for unsolicited status event levels.

### **Unsolicited Status Events**

COMMAND	T	
GROUP	EVENT NUMBER	EVENT DESCRIPTION
02	01	Power status changed. When the system has booted into an off state you will
		receive a "RDY" status indicating it is ready to be powered on and from then
		on an "OFF" or an "ON " status.  Event Format: ESCX02010010003xxx,
02		·
		Where <b>xxx</b> = a 3 character string
		"RDY" = when power is first applied and it boots into
		the off state (standby mode) – ready for power on.
		"ON" = if power on turned on (GUI appears)
		"OFF" = if power is off (standby mode) (Video out off)
02 02	02	"OFF" = if power is off (standby mode) (Video out off) Play Mode changed (normal, random, etc) [future implementation] Event Format: ESCX0202,
02		
02	03	Where <b>02</b> = means the database has changed
02 02	1	Guide View changed Event Format: ESCX02030010002xx
		Where <b>xx</b> = the new guide view
		01 = Guide changed to Artist view
		CD titles are displayed sorted by artist name
		02 = Guide changed to Titles view
		CD titles are displayed sorted by CD title
		03 = Guide changed to Song view
		Song titles are displayed sorted by song title
		04 = Guide changed to Cover view
02	04	Covers are displayed sorted by artist then by title  Playing Artist/Title/Song has changed

02		Event Format: ESCX02040060002aa0003bbbccccdddeeeefffgggghhhiiiijjj
		aa = the play state
		01 = Play, 02 = Stop, 03 = Pause
		Radio only:
		04 = Locating Station, 05 = Buffering data,
		06 = Station Not Found
		<b>bbb</b> = current track number (0 if Radio Mode)
		cccc = length of artist name
		ddd = artist name
		eeee = length of title name
		fff = title name (station name if Radio Mode [future])
		gggg = length of track name
		hhh = track name
		iji = current track time (0 if Radio Mode)
		,
		The current track, artist name, title name, track name, and current track time
		are only returned for the play event. The stop and pause events just signify
02	05	that the state has changed. Guide Mode changed (Playlist edit mode, Record mode, Delete mode, etc)
02	""	[future implementation]
02	06	Screen Mode changed (Guide, Player, Options, Setup, etc) [future implemen-
		tation]
02	07	Database has changed. The external control system should re-read the
100	00	library information. [future implementation] GUI to Movie. User switched to the Full screen movie.
02	08	
02	09	[future implementation] Movie to GUI. User switched back to the FireBall GUI from a movie. [future
"-		implementation]

The Remote Button / Keyboard commands are used when the video output of the FireBall system is displayed on a TV or large screen projector and it is desired to directly select the FireBall control functions through an external control system.

The up, down, left, right, and select functions can be used to navigate objects on the screen and select them. The active FireBall control funcAPPENDIX D- EXTERNAL CONTROL PROTOCOL
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tion is highlighted and the selection cursor is moved over it.

Various other commands are used to mimic the operation of the remote control. Note that the command response will be "OK" as long as the key code is a valid one, even though the system may ignore the key if the system is in a mode where the key would not normally be processed.

### **Remote Button / Keyboard Commands**

COMMAND GROUP	SUB COMMAND NUMBER	COMMAND DESCRIPTION				
	1 01	Left				
1-1X	N2	I Un				
1 10						
L 10	1 03	l Right				
I 10	1 04	l Down				
10 10 10 10 10	1 05	Select				
10	1 06	Move To Y and V Coordinates and Select				
10	1 00	Move To X and Y Coordinates and Select The upper left point on the screen is (0,0) and the resolution of the				
10						
1		screen is 720 by 480 pixels.				
10		- Colodina - Ed by 100 pinolo.				
10 10 10	07	Power Toggle				
12	1 08	Power loggie				
10		Power On				
10	09	Power Off				
<u> 10</u>						
10 10	I 10	"0"				
10	1 11	"1"				
10	1 12	"之"				
10	1 13	<u>"</u> 5"				
18	1 14	" <u>4</u> "				
10		1 "5"				
10	15					
10	<u>  16</u>	1 "6"				
L 10	l 17	"7"				
10	I 18	"8"				
10	19	"Q"				
10	1 20	"~"				
1 <del>1</del> 7	1 21	4 33				
10	1 22	<i>a</i> 'ps				
10		4 33				
10	23					
<u>L 10</u>	1 24	"?"				
10	1 25	"@"				
10	25   26	" <u>"</u>				

10	27	( n
H 10	1 28	(1 <del>4</del> )
110	<u> </u>	(L11)
10	29	"#"
10	30	Ch/Page +
10 10 10 10	31	Ch/Page -
10	32	Mode Increment – Only works in Player
10	33	<u> </u>
<u> 10</u>	34	<u> </u>
10	35	I Mode Plav – Repeat Title – Only works in Plaver
<u> 10</u>	l 36	I Mode Plav – Rebeat Group – Only works in Plaver
L 10	37	Mode Rice - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Normal - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Repeat Track - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Repeat Title - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Repeat Group - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Random Title - Only works in Player  Mode Play - Random Group - Only works in Player
l 10	1 38	l Mode Plav – Random Group – Only works in Player
10	1 39	i Seiub
10 10 10 10	1 40	Option
10	I 41	Guide (toggles between Guide and Player) **
	42	Guide Explicit (always goes to Guide) ** Player Explicit (always goes to Player) **
10	1 43	Player Explicit (always goes to Player) **
10 10 10 10 10		OpenGlobe
10	44	i Info
10	1 46	Menu (DVD Menu and Guide View Increment)
l 1ŏ −−	1 47	I Guide View – Covers
<u> </u>	1 48	Guide View — Artist
10 10 10 10	1 49	Guide View – Covers Guide View – Artist Guide View – Title
<del>- 1</del> δ	1 50	Guide View - Sona
<del>  18                                    </del>	1 30	Guide View - Sorig
<del>- 1</del> δ	51	Play a numbered playlist (argument has playlist number)
10	51 52-53	Not used
10	1 52-33	l Plav
<del>                                     </del>	54	Stop
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10 10	66	Next
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_10	l 87	"N"
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<u> 10</u>	91	"R"
10 10	92	"S" " <del>T</del> "
10	93	"T"
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<sup>\*\*</sup> This command does not function if the Options screen, OpenGlobe CE-Commerce screen, or Playlist Edit screens are displayed.

### Command Format: ESCX10xx

- 01 ESCX10**01**
- 02 ESCX10**02**
- 03 ESCX10**03**
- 04 ESCX10**04**
- 05 ESCX10**05**

06 - ESCX10**06**0020003aaa0003bbb

aaa = X coordinate

**bbb** = Y coordinate

10 - ESCX1010

20 - ESCX1020

21 - ESCX1021

22 - ESCX1022

etc...

51 - ESCX10**51**0010001**x** 

x = Playlist number (1 - 6)

All the Database commands are available regardless of the power state, except for Command 05, Play which will return an error response if attempted during standby. The groups, styles, and custom genres are grouped into system groups and user groups. The system groups have system groupings such as the All group, MP3 group, and Playlists groups. The user groups contain the genres for your music and your custom genres that have been created. The All radio station group and the NetRadio group are contained in the radio system groups while all other radio stations are in the system group. Titles are returned listed in alphabetical order by title regardless of the state of the user interface.

### **Database Commands**

ĺ	COMMAND GROUP	SUB COMMAND	DESCRIPTION
	20	01	Get number of groups (genres) in the database

20	ESCX20010010002 <b>xx</b>
	xx = which list to get groups from, where
	01 = System Music Groups
	02 = User Music Groups
	03 = System Radio Groups
	1 '
	04 = User Radio Groups
	Reply Format: ESCX20010010004xxxx,
	Where <b>xxxx</b> = total number of groups in the specified list
	3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4
	Once the total number of groups is known, you can ask information for a range of
	groups using the <b>02</b> subcommand
20	02 Get group information ESCX20020030002aa0004bbbb0004cccc
20	
	aa = which list to get groups from, where
	01 = System Music Groups
	02 = User Music Groups
	03 = System Radio Groups
	04 = User Radio Groups
	bbbb = starting group number
	cccc = ending group number  Reply Format: ESCX2002xxxGROUP1GROUP2etc,
20	
	Where <b>xxx</b> = total number of groups multiplied by 2,
	Each group is made up two items so
20	GROUP1 above = 0003xxxyyyyzzzzzzz where
	0003 = length of item #1 (always 3)
	xxx = number of titles in the group
	yyyy = length of item #2 (length of group name)
	zzzzzzz = group name (length depends on vvvv) GROUP2, etc have the same format as GROUP1

20	03	Get title (music or movie) or station (radio) information (includes Playlists because
		they are virtual CD titles) ESCX20030040002aa0004bbbb0004cccc0004dddd
20		ESCX20030040002aa0004bbbb0004cccc0004dddd
		aa = which list to get groups from, where
		01 = System Music Groups
		02 = User Music Groups
		03 = System Radio Groups
		04 = User Radio Groups
		<b>bbbb</b> = group number to get titles for
		cccc = starting title number
		dddd = ending title number
		Reply Format: ESCX2003xxxTITLE1TITLE2etc,
		Where <b>xxx</b> = total number of titles multiplied by 2,
		Each title is made up of two items so TITLE1 above = 0003xxxyyyyzzzzzzzzz
		0003 = length of item #1 (always 3)
		xxx = number of tracks in the title (0 for Radio)
		yyyy = length of item #2 (length of title)
		zzzzzzzzz = title/radio station(length depends on yyyy) TITLE2, etc have the same format as TITLE1
20	04	TITLE2, etc have the same format as TITLE1   Get track information
20 20	04	ESCX20040050002aa0004bbbb0004cccc0004dddd0004eeee
		ESCX20040050002aa0004bbbb0004cccc0004dddd0004eeee aa = which list to get groups from, where
		01 = System Music Groups
		02 = User Music Groups
		<b>bbbb</b> = group number to get tracks for
		cccc = title number to get tracks for
		dddd = starting track number
		eeee = ending track number
		Reply Format: ESCX2004xxxTRACK1TRACK2etc,
		Where <b>xxx</b> = total number of tracks,
		Each TRACK is made of one item so

		TRACK1 = bbbbzzzzzzz	
		yyyy = length of track name	
		zzzzzzz = track name (length depends on vvvv)	
		TRACK2, etc have the same format as TRACK1	
20 20	05	zzzzzz = track name (length depends on vvvv) TRACK2, etc have the same format as TRACK1 Play music track/radio station/Playlist ESCX20050040002aa0004bbbb0004cccc0004dddd	
		aa = which database to get groups from, where	
		01 = System Music Groups	
		02 = User Music Groups	
		03 = System Radio Groups	
		04 = User Radio Groups	
		<b>bbbb</b> = group number	
		cccc = title/station number	
		dddd = track number (ignored for radio)	
20 20	06	dddd = track number (ignored for radio) Get group number for a specific music or radio genre by name. ESCX20060020002aa0004bbbb	
20		aa = which list to get groups from, where	
		01 = System Music Groups	
		'	
		02 = User Music Groups	
		03 = System Radio Groups	
		04 = User Radio Groups	
		<b>bbbb</b> = which group you want the number for	
		0004 is the length of the group name 01 - System Music group name examples are:	
20			
		All, Playlists, CDs, MP3s	

20	02 -User Music group name examples are:
20	Blues/Folk
	Classical
	Country
	Dance
	Easy Listening
	Family
	HipHop-Rap
	Jazz
	Latin
	New Age
	Other
	Pop
	R&B/Soul
	Rock
	Soundtracks 03 - System iRadio group name examples are:
20	03 - System iRadio group name examples are:
	All. NetRadio

20		04 - User iRadio group name examples are:
		Alternative
		Classic Rock
		Classical
		Country
		Eclectic
		Hip Hop
		Holiday
		International
		Jazz
		New Age
		Oldies
		R&B
		Religious
		Soft Rock
		News/Talk
		Top 40
		Rock
20		Other
20		Reply Format: ESCX20060010004xxxx,
20		Once group number is known, use the <b>02</b> subcommand for info
20 20	07	Where xxxx = group number for the group specified by aaaa Once group number is known, use the 02 subcommand for info. Get title (music or movie) or station (radio) information by name (includes Playlists
		also, because they are virtual CD titles). Partial strings can be used. Case does
		not matter.

20	ESCX20070030002aa0004bbbb0004cccc
	aa = which list to get groups from, where
	01 = System Music Groups
	02 = User Music Groups
	03 = System Radio Groups
	04 = User Radio Groups
	<b>bbbb</b> = group number to get titles for
	cccc = which title/station/Playlist you want the number for
	0004 is the length of the title/station/Playlist name   Reply Format: ESCX2007xxxTITLE1TITLE2etc,
	Reply Format: ESCX2007xxxTITLE1TITLE2etc,
	Where xxx = total number of titles/station/Playlists that match
	Multiplied by 2. each title is made up of two items so TITLE1 above = 0003xxx0004yyyy
	TITLE1 above = 0003xxx0004yyyy
	0003 = length of item #1 (always 3)
	xxx = number of tracks in the title/station/Playlist (0 for Radio)
	0004 = length of item #2 (always 4)
	zzzz = title/station/Playlist number
	Most likely only one title will be returned for this command,
	however if you have duplicate titles,
	TITLE2. etc have the same format as TITLE1 Once the title/station/Playlist number and the number of tracks are known you can
	Once the title/station/Playlist number and the number of tracks are known you can
	use the 04 – Get track information command or the 05 – Play music track/radio
	station/Playlist command.

### **Status Commands**

COMMAND GROUP	SUB COMMAND	DESCRIPTION
50	1 01	Get power state

Reply Format: ESCX50010010003xxx, Where xxx = a 3 character string "ON " if power on "OFF" if power is off (standby mode)  50	
Where xxx = a 3 character string  "ON " if power on  "OFF" if power is off (standby mode)  50	
"ON " if power on "OFF" if power is off (standby mode)  50	
"OFF" if power is off (standby mode)  50	J
Reply Format: ESCX50020010002xx, Where xx = music play mode, where 01 = normal 02 = repeat track 03 = repeat title	J
Reply Format: ESCX50020010002xx, Where xx = music play mode, where 01 = normal 02 = repeat track 03 = repeat title	$\longrightarrow$
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Where xx = music play mode, where 01 = normal 02 = repeat track 03 = repeat title	J
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02 = repeat track 03 = repeat title	J
03 = repeat title	J
1 '	J
U4 = repeat group	J
1 '. ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ". ".	J
05 = random title	J
06 = random group 50 03 Get sort order [future implementation]	
50 03 Get sort order [future implementation] 50 ESCX50 <b>03</b>	$\longrightarrow$
200,3003	J
Reply Format: 'ESCX50030010002xx,	
Where <b>xx</b> = guide sort order, where	J
01 = by artist	
1 '	
02 = by title	
03 = by song 50 04 Get current playing artist, title, song [future implementation]	$\longrightarrow$

50		ESCX50 <b>04</b>
50 50	05	Reply Format: 'ESCX5004003aaaabbccccddeeeeff, where aaaa = length of the artist name that is playing bb = artist name – length depends on aaaa cccc = length of the title that is playing dd = music title – length depends on cccc eeee = length of the song that is playing ff = song title – length depends on eeee Get current screen that is displayed in the GUI [future implementation] ESCX5005
		Reply Format: 'ESCX50050010002xx, Where xx = current GUI screen, where 01 = guide 02 = player 03 = options 04 = configuration

### **Control Commands**

COMMAND GROUP	SUB COMMAND	DESCRIPTION
70 70	01	Select quide source ESCX70010010002xx
		xx = guide source, where
		01 = Music 02 = iRadio
		02 = IRaulo 03 = Movies
70	02	Register for unsolicited events (by default you are registered to receive the unsolic-
		lited events for level 5)

70		ESCX7002 ESCX70020010002xx xx = event level, where 05 = All events except 1-second updates while playing 10 = All level 5 events, plus one-second track playing time
		updates during music play
		If the short version of the command is used, event level 5 will be used as the default level.
70	03	Unregister for unsolicited events (prevent unsolicited events)
70	0.4	ESCX7003
70 70	04	Set Music Play Mode ESCX70040010002xx
		xx = music play mode, where
		01 = normal
		02 = repeat track
		03 = repeat title
		04 = repeat group
		05 = random title
		06 = random group

Note that when the host is in power standby mode, any command will cause the unit to enter the power on mode before executing the command. There are two exceptions to this: a client may register and unregister for unsolicited events without turning the host on, and the Status Command "Get Power State" (ESCX5001) will return the current state of the unit without turning it on.

## Appendix E - FireBall Internet Connections

When Does FireBall Connect To Internet?



### When Does FireBall Connect To Internet?

FireBall is designed to automatically connect and disconnect from the Internet as needed. Dialup modem Internet connections will automatically disconnect 2.5 minutes after a period of network inactivity. The following is a list describing when Internet connections occur:

### **Quick Start:**

During the initial quick start process – an Internet connection status dialog and progress indicator are provided to show the status of the connection and registration process.

### CD Lookup:

Each time a CD is inserted in the Front Panel CD drive, each time a CD Player door is opened and closed and a new disc is found, or whenever the user performs a Quick Lookup, Lookup Range, or Lookup All from Setup, FireBall will automatically connect to the OpenGlobe server in order to retrieve disc information and cover art. The status of the connection and the status of the information retrieval is displayed in the lower left portion of the Music Player screen.

### **Power Loss:**

When Power is lost and then restored, FireBall automatically dials out and retrieves the correct time.



### **Music Option – Get Music Info:**

If this Option is selected, FireBall will show an information screen that shows the number of changers attached, number of discs, free music slots, and unknown discs. If you press 'select' to continue the Get Music operation, FireBall will automatically connect to the Internet and lookup the unknown discs. A progress screen is displayed during this operation.

### **Music Option - Edit Disc - Lookup This Disc/Cover:**

If this Option is selected, FireBall will automatically connect to the Internet to lookup the selected disc. A progress screen is displayed during this operation.

### iRadio:

Each time an iRadio Station is selected, FireBall will automatically connect to the Internet to begin streaming the audio. The status of the connection followed by the audio streaming bit rate are displayed in the lower left portion of the iRadio Player. The Internet radio stream can be manually terminated by pressing STOP.



### **OpenGlobe CE-Commerce**:

Each time you press the "OG" (OpenGlobe) button on the remote or keyboard, an Internet connection is automatically established with the OpenGlobe service – unless a connection had previously been established.

### Weekly Updates:

FireBall automatically connects to the OpenGlobe servers each week to check for software updates. This connection occurs even if FireBall is in Standby. A progress screen is provided in case FireBall is turned on and it is updating the software. Most connections occur in the background, and you won't notice them.



# Appendix F - Enhanced Entertainment Services

**Enhanced Entertainment Services using Escient's OpenGlobe Services** 



### **Enhanced Entertainment Services Using Escient's OpenGlobe Services**

Escient provides Entertainment Services that are noted under the name of OpenGlobe<sup>TM</sup>. These are provided to you within your FireBall<sup>TM</sup> to expand your music experience.

The OpenGlobe area is an area within your FireBall user interface that provides additional content or information related to the music you have stored on, or are listening to on your FireBall.

For example, while listening to a CD or navigating through the onscreen music guide, you can simply press the OG button on your remote, keyboard or an optional touch screen, and immediately move to the OpenGlobe page on the Internet that contains a list of the week's top CDs in your favorite categories.

Or, you might want to access the latest info on one of your favorite artists and see their musical influences or read their biography.

As these services evolve, and new services are featured, you will be able to take advantage of the latest entertainment services offerings to enhance your music listening experience. You can purchase CDs now, and at some point, we hope to expand on these services to perhaps even offer the ability to download music, rather than having to wait for them in the mail



As new services, peripherals, ISPs, applications, and user interface software are developed, FireBall will access the updated software via the Internet connection, and provide you with the most current services and software. (Software is downloaded to your system automatically during regularly scheduled connections so you always have the latest software. You must be "connected" for this to occur.)

### Appendix G - Home Networking

What is Home Networking?
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### What is Home Networking?

A network is a group of computers, printers, and other devices that are cabled together in specific ways so that information can be exchanged and shared with each other. Just as you can connect two computers to share files or use the same connection to the Internet, you can connect FireBall(s) to a home network so that you can share the digital music contained on each unit.

Home networks are relatively easy to set up and installation tutorials are readily available on the Internet. Basically there are three popular kinds of home networks: Ethernet, wireless (802.11) and HomePNA (HPNA). Each of these home networking standards require different boards or adapter installed on your PC(s), associated software, and cables to connect.

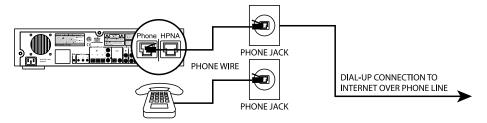
In an Ethernet configuration, Ethernet network interface boards are installed on your PC(s) and Ethernet cables are used to connect all equipment. In order to connect a FireBall to an Ethernet home network, contact Escient to acquire an HPNA to Ethernet bridge/router such as the Escient Broadband Kit.

The FireBall E model contains built-in Ethernet capabilities.

### Setup Diagrams - Single FireBall on a Network

If you have a single FireBall, attaching a FireBall to your home network is strictly done for the purpose of sharing access to the internet through one connection: a dial up, an HPNA network, or an Ethernet connection. Diagrams for each of these scenarios follows:

### SINGLE FIREBALL: DIAL-UP



NOTE: Plug your FireBall directly into a wall mounted telephone outlet. Do not use a phone line splitter because it may cause connection problems.

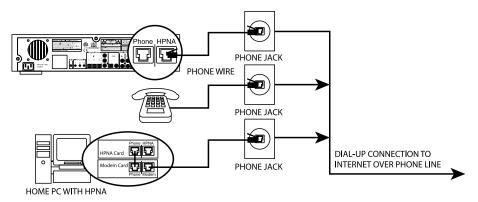


This manual provides basic setup diagrams for integrating FireBalls into a home network.

For additional configurations or advanced setups, please check the Escient website at www.escient.com.

If you currently have a home network (Ethernet or HomePNA), the following pages contain several **basic setup diagrams** for integrating a FireBall or multiple FireBall(s) into your particular home network scenario. This allows you to share FireBall's entertainment features while also sharing Internet access through your HomePNA enabled PC.

### SINGLE FIREBALL NETWORK: HPNA





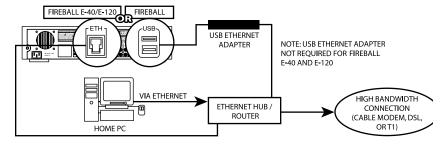
HPNA, also referred to as HomePNA, is a home networking standard developed by the Home Phoneline Networking Alliance.

### **HPNA** phone cable lengths:

HPNA is designed to run in various configurations including "bridge" or "star" or a mix of these. The best rule on cable length is to follow HPNA standards, which specifies a maximum distance of 500 and a minimum of 6 feet between devices. HPNA is also what is known as a "rate adaptive technology". This means that the length of the cable may affect the speed of the devices connected.

FireBall can operate on any standard Ethernet network. Most Ethernet networks are connected together using a device called a "router", "hub", or "personal gateway". If you are planing on using FireBall on an Ethernet network along with other computers or devices, you will need one of these devices. Please contact your Escient dealer or the Escient website for more information

### SINGLE FIREBALL NETWORK: ETHERNET





In order to connect FireBall to an Ethernet home network, you will need a supported USB to Ethernet adapter or an HPNA to Ethernet bridge such as the Escient Broadband Kit.

Contact your Escient dealer for more information.

FireBall E contains built-in Ethernet capabilities.

### **Home Networking Multiple FireBalls**

You can connect a total of 5 FireBall(s) together on a home network. This provides a way to achieve multi-zone, multi-user support. Each FireBall can be given a user friendly name such as "Kitchen" or "Dad's Music" through the SETUP menu. In addition, each user of a particular FireBall has access to the digital music (MP3 files) on the other FireBall(s) on the network.

Following is a listing of functionality available to you on a networked FireBall. (In this context "on-line" means a FireBall that is connected to the same local network and powered ON. It does not mean "connected to the Internet".)

- Add up to 5 FireBalls to your network
- Ability to have discrete control and user interface for each FireBall (user/zone).
- See, play, edit, interact with MP3 music located on the other networked FireBalls.
- Stream MP3 music from one FireBall to another.
- Temporarily Connect, Disconnect, and Reconnect FireBalls from the local network.
- Permanently Disconnect from a networked FireBall to remove remote music content.



If a FireBall is permanently removed from the network, you can go to SETUP->UTILITIES->DIS-CONECT OFFLINE FIREBALLS to have that FireBall's media removed. Otherwise, the music titles from that FireBall will remain in the guide awaiting the reattachment.

- Record music locally and have it be accessible from remote FireBalls.
- Delete MP3 and WAV files from any local or on-line remote FireBalls.
- Add music to a Playlist from any local or on-line remote FireBall.
- Browse and Play MP3s and WAV files from any local or on-line remote FireBall.
- Remove remote titles from the local Music Guide.
- Encode music on all FireBalls simultaneously.
- Have edits/deletes/additions from remote FireBalls automatically show up on all connected FireBall systems.

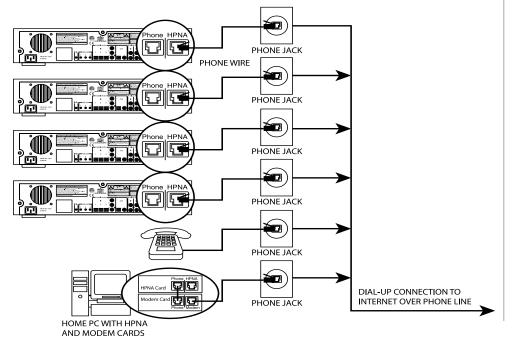
### **Setup Diagrams - Multiple FireBalls on a Network**

The following pages contain setup diagrams for connecting multiple FireBalls onto an HPNA or Ethernet network. If you have Broadband capability such as Cable Modem or DSL, configuration diagrams for these setups are also included.



The "select a cover" and "search for cover" options are not available for music on a remote FireBall.

Multiple FireBalls can connect to the Internet through a PC. The PC connects to the Internet using it's modem and shares the connection with the FireBalls using the HPNA network.

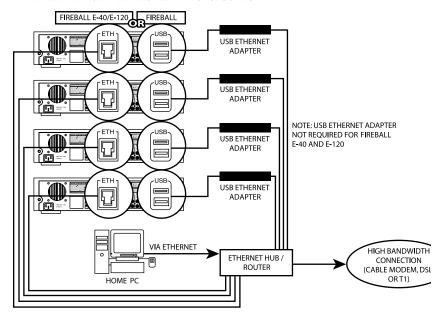




An HPNA connector is built-in on all FireBall models and available on the back panel.

Multiple FireBalls can connect to the Internet through an Ethernet hub/router and a broadband connection such as a Cable Modem, DSL, ISDN, or T1.

### ETHERNET MULTIPLE FIREBALL WITH BROADBAND





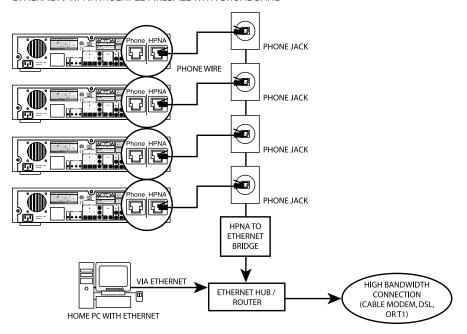
In order to connect FireBall to an Ethernet home network, you will need a supported USB to Ethernet adapter.

Please contact your Escient dealer to obtain an adapter.

FireBall E has built-in Ethernet and does not require an adapter.

Multiple FireBalls can connect to the Internet using an HPNA to Ethernet Bridge then connecting through an Ethernet hub/router and a broadband connection such as a Cable Modem, DSL, ISDN, or T1.

ETHERNET / HPNA MULTIPLE FIREBALL WITH BROADBAND





An HPNA connector is built-in on all FireBall models and available on the back panel.

### **Appendix H - Remote Control**

Installing Batteries Into Remote
Programming the Remote
Programming TV/VCR Combo
Searching for Your Code
Checking the Codes
Re-Assigning Device Keys
Changing Volume Lock
Manufacturer's IR Codes



### **Installing Batteries Into Remote**

- 1. On the back of the Remote, push the tab and remove the battery cover.
- 2. Obtain two (2) fully-charged AA alkaline batteries. Match the + and marks on the batteries to the + and marks in the battery case, then insert the new batteries.
- Press the battery cover back into place. The tab should click when the cover is locked.
- 4. Test the unit by pressing any key on the remote. If the batteries are inserted correctly, the LED will blink each time you press a key.

### **Programming the Remote**

The Remote can control up to 8 different components. Note that 3 of these are already reserved for Escient's FireBall, TuneBase 200, and PowerPlay products. Perform the following instructions for each component you want controlled:

- 1. Turn on a component (e.g., VCR) and, if applicable, insert media, (e.g., cassette or disc). NOTE: Please read steps 2-4 completely before proceeding. We recommend highlighting or writing down the codes and device you wish to program before moving onto step 2.
- 2. On the Remote, press a component key once (i.e., AUX, CBL, DVD, TV, RCV). Press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release.
- Use the Manufacturer's Codes (last section in this appendix) to locate the type of component and brand name and then enter the first four-digit code for your component. If performed correctly, the LED will blink twice.



When batteries need replacement, the Remote will blink twice with every key press. Simply replace them and the remote control will be restored to its full functionality, including favorite settings.

- If the LED did not blink twice, then repeat steps 2 through 3 and try entering the same code again.
- 4. Aim the Remote at the component and press PWR once. It should turn off. If it does not respond, repeat steps 2-3, trying each code for your brand until you find one that works. If the device does not have a PWR key, press PLAY.
- 5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 for each component you want the Remote to control.

### **Programming TV/VCR Combo**

- 1. Turn on the TV/VCR Combo and insert a video cassette. NOTE: Please read steps 2-4 completely before proceeding. We recommend highlighting or writing down the code for the brand you wish to program before moving onto step 2.
- On the Remote, press DVD. Press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 3. Use the Setup Codes For TV/VCR Combos (last section in this appendix) to locate the brand name and then enter the first four-digit code for your component. If performed correctly, the LED will blink twice. NOTE: If the LED did not blink twice, then repeat steps 2 through 3 and try entering the same code again.
- 4. Aim the Remote at the component and press PWR once. It should turn off. If it does not respond, repeat steps 2-3, trying each code for your brand until you find one that works. If it still does not work, try searching for the code (see Searching For Your Code). NOTE: If the device does not have a PWR key, press PLAY.
- 5. If you've located a setup code that works, but it has a separate TV code, you'll also need to program it into the Remote to access volume control as follows:



- a. Press TV once. The LED will blink twice.
- b. Enter the TV code for your TV/VCR Combo. If correct, the LED will blink twice.

If there is no separate TV code listed, you will need to perform the following steps to access volume control:

- a. Press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- b. Enter 9 9 3. The LED will blink twice.
- Press DVD once. The LED will blink twice.

### **Searching for Your Code**

If your device does not respond to the Remote after trying all codes listed for your brand, or if your brand is not listed at all, try searching for your code. For example, to search for a code for your TV:

- 1. On the Remote, press TV once.
- Press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 3. Enter 9 9 1. The LED will blink twice.
- 4. Aim the remote control at the TV and slowly alternate between pressing PWR and TV. Stop when the TV turns off. NOTE: In the search mode, the Remote will send IR codes from its library to the selected device, starting with the most popular code first.
- 5. Press CODE SET once to lock in the code.
- 6. To search for the codes of your other components, repeat steps 1 through 5, but



substitute the appropriate key (i.e., AUX, CBL, DVD, RCV) for the (Auxiliary, VCR, Cable, Satellite, CD, Amplifier, or Tuner) component you are searching for.

### **Checking the Codes**

If you have set up the Remote using the Searching For Your Code procedure, you may need to find out which four-digit code is operating your equipment.

For example, to find out which code is operating your TV:

- 1. On the Remote, press TV once.
- 2. Press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 3. Enter 9 9 0. The LED will blink twice.
- 4. To view the code for the first digit, press 1 once. Wait 3 seconds, count the LED blinks (e.g., 3 blinks = 3) NOTE: If a code digit is "0", the LED will not blink.
- 5. Repeat step 4 three more times for remaining digits. Use 2 for the second digit, 3 for the third digit, and 4 for the fourth digit.
- 6. To check for the codes of your other components, repeat steps 1 through 5, but substitute the appropriate key (i.e., AUX, CBL, DVD, RCV) component you are checking. As before, write down each four-digit code.



### **Re-Assigning Device Keys**

The Remote can be set up to control a second TV or VCR, or any combination of eight home entertainment components. For example, to have the Remote control a TV, a Cable Converter, and two VCRs, you will need to reassign the unused AUX key to operate the second VCR as follows:

- On the Remote, press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 2. Enter 9 9 2. The LED will blink twice.
- 3. Press DVD once, then press AUX once.
- 4. The AUX key is now ready to be programmed for your VCR. See Programming Component Control. To reassign other device keys, repeat steps 1 through 4 by substituting the key sequence from the below chart for the most popular components:

To Re-Assign Key Sequence	Perform
TV as VCR key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - DVD - TV
TV as 2nd CBL key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - CBL - TV
TV as 2nd AUX key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - AUX - TV
TV as 2nd RCV/TNR key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - RCV - TV
TV as AMP key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - PP - TV
TV as CD key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - TB - TV
TV as SAT key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - FB - TV



You cannot re-assign the FB, TB, or PP keys.

However, the keys can be used in conjunction to re-assigning other device keys.

To Re-Assign Key Sequence	Perform
DVD as 2nd TV key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - TV - DVD
DVD as 2nd CBL key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - CBL - DVD
DVD as 2nd AUX key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - AUX - DVD
DVD as 2nd RCV/TNR key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - RCV - DVD
DVD as AMP key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - PP - DVD
DVD as CD key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - TB - DVD
DVD as SAT key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - FB - DVD
DVD back to DVD/VCR:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - DVD - DVD
AUX as 2nd TV key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - TV- AUX
AUX as 2nd DVD/VCR key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - DVD - AUX
AUX as 2nd CBL key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - CBL - AUX
AUX as 2nd RCV/TNR key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - RCV - AUX
AUX as AMP key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - PP - AUX
AUX as CD key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - TB - AUX
AUX as SAT key:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - FB - AUX
AUX back to AUX:	CODE SET - 9 - 9 - 2 - AUX - AUX

When a reassignment is done, the LED will blink twice to confirm your choice. At that time, you will need to program the Remote to control the new component (see Programming Component Control).



### **Changing Volume Lock**

The Remote is set to control volume of a component through your TV while in the TV, VCR, Cable, or Satellite mode. However, in an Audio mode (i.e. RCV/TNR; AMP, CD), you have separate control of your audio component's volume.

If your TV is not remote controllable, or if you want volume to be controlled by a different component, you can change the Volume Lock setting to control a volume through a non-associated mode (e.g., through the cable in the TV mode).

To change Volume Lock to another mode:

- On the Remote, press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 2. Enter 9 9 3 and then press any mode key once (except TV). The LED will blink twice.
- 3. Now, whenever you press VOL +, VOL –, or MUTE, volume will be controlled by your mode choice.

To change Volume Lock back to the TV mode:

- On the Remote, press and hold CODE SET until the LED blinks twice, then release CODE SET.
- 2. Enter 9 9 3 and then press TV. The LED will blink twice.
- 3. Now, whenever you press VOL +, VOL -, or MUTE on the Remote, volume will be controlled by your TV.



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## **Wireless Keyboard Basics**

The Escient wireless keyboard can be used to control FireBall and provides the ability to enter text more easily. It is a standard keyboard with specialized keys for use with FireBall.

Since the keys on this device are similar to keys on the remote, please refer to the Remote Overview. The only key that is different between the two devices is the SET key indicated below. It is used to set up the brand of device you want to control for each source. This key is used in conjunction with the Escient key to change the Escient product to be controlled between FireBall and TuneBase 200 (Default is FireBall).



# **Programming the Keyboard to Control an Escient TuneBase**

The Escient wireless keyboard can be programmed to control not only the FireBall but also the Escient TuneBase. Follow these instructions carefully, to program the keyboard for the Escient TuneBase.

- 1) Press and Hold the "SET" button until the red LED flashes twice.
- 2) Slowly enter "997". The red LED should flash twice.
- 3) Press the blue "CH-" key on the left side of the keyboard until the red LED flashes four times.
- 4) Press the 'swoop' button (the one just to the right of the POWER button).



- 5) Press and Hold the "SET" button until the red LED flashes twice.
- 6) Slowly enter "1162".

The wireless keyboard should now control the Escient TuneBase.

# Programming the Keyboard to Control an Escient FireBall

Follow these instructions carefully, to re-program the keyboard for the Escient FireBall

- 1) Press and Hold the "SET" button until the red LED flashes twice.
- 2) Slowly enter "997". The red LED should flash twice.
- 3) Press the blue "CH-" key on the left side of the keyboard until the red LED flashes four times.
- 4) Press the 'swoop' button (the one just to the right of the POWER button).



- 5) Press and Hold the "SET" button until the red LED flashes twice.
- 6) Slowly enter "1163".

The wireless keyboard should now control the Escient FireBall.

# **Discrete IR Key Combinations**

Special key combinations are provided on the keyboard to supply third party IR control devices with discrete IR codes which can be used to directly navigate the user interface of the FireBall. This section describes those special key combinations.

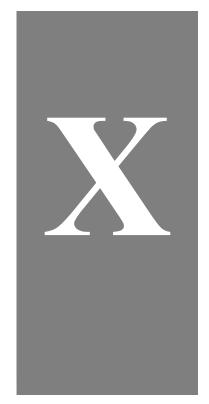
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Shift+Menu	Play Mode Repeat Track
Shift+Title	Play Mode Repeat Title
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Shift+Guide	Play Mode Random Group
Shift+Mode	Guide Screen On
Shift+Info	Player Screen On
Shift+Option	Cover View On
Shift+Next	Artist View
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Shift+Random (not labeled)	Song View

# **Blank Keys**

Some Escient wireless IR keybaords may not have special "modifier" keys labeled. These keys are used for "Playlist Hot Keys", "Discrete IR Key Combinations" and other special functions. . Please refer to this picture if your keyboard is missing the text labeling.



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